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Vows to strengthen military Syria spells terms for peace in Mideast

BEIRUT, Feb. 1 (R) — A Syrian minister has said peace between the Arabs and Israel would be possible if Israel withdrew from all territories occupied in 1967 and allowed Palestinians to set up an independent state.

Syrian Information Minister Ahmed Iskandar Ahmed spelled out what he called Syria's "three fundamental elements of peace" in an interview with *Monday Morning*. He said they were:

- Israel's full and unconditional withdrawal from all the territories occupied in June 1967, including Arab Jerusalem.
- Confirmation of the right of the Palestinian people, under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), to self-determination, and their right to return and build an independent Palestinian state on Palestinian soil.
- A termination of the state of war between the Arabs and Israel.

The minister said Syria would neither

"bargain over any of our rights... nor drop our claim to a single grain of our country's and our nation's soil."

The minister said Syria would do everything possible to build up its military strength to confront what he called Israeli aggression and expansion.

Referring to Israel's annexation last year of Syria's strategic Golan Heights, he said the Heights were "occupied by force and will be regained by force." But he added this meant economic and political, not just military force.

Ahmed said he hoped France would change its mind and vote in favor of sanctions against Israel over the annexation.

He described as contradictory a statement by French External Relations Minister Claude Cheysson that "abstained on the U.N. Security Council vote on sanctions because it did not see the annexation as a direct threat to world peace."

Gandhi offer welcomed

More talks planned -- Shahi

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (R) — India and Pakistan Monday agreed to hold more discussions about a proposed non-aggression pact between the two countries who have fought three wars against each other in the past 34 years.

The expected announcement of more talks came at the end of a four-day visit here by Pakistan Foreign Minister Agha Shahi for initial discussions on the pact, proposed by Pakistan last September.

Unlike the first round here, the next session in Islamabad later this month will be conducted by officials below ministerial level. Shahi told a press conference that his talks on the pact with Indian External Affairs Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao had not been discouraging.

A joint press statement said the two ministers reached mutual understanding on a number of elements.

"They had sufficiently cleared the air to facilitate specific considerations of the

Socialists mull jobless problem

SLANGERUP, Denmark, Feb. 1 (AP) — Delegates from Socialist and Labor parties throughout Western Europe convened Monday to swap ideas on how to put the continent's 10 million jobless back to work.

Denmark's Social Democratic prime minister, Anker Joergensen, opened the two-day European employment conference by telling the 150 delegates that "the capitalist system alone is not capable of dealing satisfactorily with economic upheaval."

Joergensen said it was up to what he termed "socialist forces" to "inspire an offensive attitude to the unemployment problem."

The conference, with delegates from 20 West European countries, was organized by Denmark's ruling Social Democrats and France's ruling Socialist Party.

Ivor Richard, commissioner of the European Common Market said the conference would be "extremely useful to the European Economic Community" because the talks were designed "to lead to concrete proposals as a battle plan against the unemployment problem."

The conference, held at the Danish Metalworkers Union's Conference Center west of Copenhagen, featured speeches by Britain's former chancellor of the exchequer, Denis Healey and former Norwegian Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland.

Brezhnev fatigued after Suslov death

MOSCOW, Feb. 1 (AFP) — Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev suffered "a psychological shock" and feels "fatigued" after the death on Jan. 25 of Kremlin ideologue Mikhail Suslov, well-informed sources said Monday.

They said the death of Suslov, who at 79 was the Politburo's oldest member, "deeply

hurt" the 75-year-old Brezhnev.

The Soviet president had to sit down and rest several times during Suslov's funeral last week, the sources added. They did not know who would eventually replace Suslov at the Politburo nor whether his successor would play the same dominant role in Communist Party ideology.



HAPPY COUPLE: Oblivious to the rest of the world, penguins Patti and Paul are shown here at the St. Petersburg, Florida Aquarium rubbing flippers. There are many other penguins at the aquarium but Patti and Paul are only interested in each other, where one goes, the other follows. If any of the other penguins tries to intrude it is ignored. They are in love.

With economy looking up

London poised for share boom

LONDON, Feb. 1 (R) — The London stock market could reach record levels soon as business confidence grows that the British economy is starting to recover from a prolonged slump, analysts said Monday.

The *Financial Times* index of leading industrial shares has jumped almost 50 points since the beginning of the year and Monday was just above 579 points, within 20 points of the record reached last April of 597.3 points.

The market was steady Monday, consolidating after a rise of 12 points last week and 35 points the previous week.

The *Financial Times* said Monday a survey of British industry showing an improving trend of orders and deliveries was giving rise to cautious optimism about future prospects.

Analysts said that with company profits recovering as the economy picked up, share prices should continue rising in the next few months and a new high was likely before the summer.

They said the market was expecting a boost from falling interest rates in Britain and most of the industrialized world as governments tried to lift their economies out of recession.

But the crucial factor would be the success of the U.S. authorities in controlling money supply, allowing them to cut U.S. interest rates, they said.

Rich, poor countries show price fall

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (AP) — Price rises were slowing last fall in both rich and poor countries, according to figures made available Sunday by the International Monetary Fund — which covers most of the world's non-Communist countries.

In the more prosperous parts of the world, consumer prices increased at an average annual rate of 9.4 percent in November, compared with 9.8 percent in October and 10.1 in August and September. This was due in part to a decline in the United States, which has the world's biggest economy and so has a big influence on the overall figure.

November also showed declines in Canada, Japan, Finland, West Germany, Austria, Norway, Sweden and Switzerland — though there were increases in France, Britain, Denmark, Ireland, Holland and in December in Belgium.

Returns came in more slowly from the poorer countries, but there were drops in November in Greece, South Korea, Turkey,

Schmidt bid to end rift over job plan

BONN, Feb. 1 (R) — West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt Monday began fresh efforts to heal a rift in his government on a job-creation program, an issue on which he has threatened to resign.

The chancellor, who conferred with senior left-liberal coalition colleagues, wants the protracted argument settled Wednesday when he intends to have an agreed plan to put to parliament with the government's annual economic report.

Schmidt's impatience with dissent on both

sides of the coalition last week prompted his second threat in a year to abandon the office he has held since 1974.

Last year he threatened to resign if his Social Democratic Party (SPD) withdrew support for NATO plans to deploy new U.S. medium-range nuclear missiles on West German territory.

This time his warning, leaked by SPD parliamentary leader Herbert Wehner over the weekend, was addressed to both the SPD and the Free Democrat (FDP) junior coalition partners.

The chancellor, less than midway through his four-year electoral term, said during the weekend he did not want to "disembark" prematurely, though "a ship with seven or 13 or 27 would-be helmsmen cannot be steered in the long run."

Schmidt originally hoped to revive the economy and create new jobs by lowering interest rates, but was persuaded to back a job-creation program under pressure from his party and trade unions, informed sources said.

Joblessness has risen sharply over the last few months, reaching 197 million in December, 7.3 percent of the workforce. SPD labor relations expert Egon Lutz predicted during the weekend the January figure would rise above 1.9 million.

Schmidt discussed the job-creation program during the weekend with Vice-Chancellor Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the FDP leader, but they were reported Monday still

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For gaining information Israel agents tried to bribe U.S. staff

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (Agencies) — Israeli intelligence agencies have tried to bribe and blackmail U.S. government workers stationed in Israel in an attempt to get sensitive information from them, according to an account published in Monday's editions of *The Washington Post*.

The report was based on classified American documents captured when Iranian militants took over the U.S. Embassy in Tehran and subsequently published in Iran. *The Post* said it obtained copies of the paperbacks from free-lance journalists when they returned from Iran. *The Boston Globe* also has published excerpts from the books.

The part about Israeli intelligence activity was in a purported copy of a Central Intelligence Agency survey entitled "Israel: Foreign Intelligence and Security Services." *The Post* quoted intelligence sources as saying the version published in Iran appears to be a faithful

reproduction of the original 47-page document. Manichan Shai, press spokesman at the Israeli Embassy in Washington, denied to comment on the report.

"In one instance, Shin Beth (the counter espionage branch of Israeli intelligence) tried to penetrate the U.S. Consulate: General in Tel Aviv through a clerical employee who was having an affair with an Israeli girl," it said. "They rigged a fake abortion case against the employee in an unsuccessful effort to recruit him. Before this attempt at blackmail, they had tried to get the Israeli girl to elicit information from her boyfriend."

"There have been two or three crude efforts to recruit marine guards for monetary reward," the report adds. It also describes a series of telephone taps and hidden microphones installed by Israeli agents at offices and residences of U.S. personnel in Israel.

Price issue left to OPEC

GCC discusses oil strategy

By Wahib Ghorab
and Scott Pendleton
Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, Feb. 1 — A unified oil strategy, the whole spectrum of the oil business and the need to find alternative sources of income were discussed here Sunday by Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) oil ministers.

Decisions regarding oil production and pricing were not taken during the meetings by the ministers, according to Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani, minister of petroleum and mineral resources, who told *Arab News*, "the prices of oil have been fixed by OPEC and we have no intention of changing them."

Asked if the conference had agreed to build a pipeline through Oman in order to bypass the Hormuz Straits, Yamani said the ministers did not discuss any details. "We are talking about long-term strategy among ourselves, how to lay down the foundations for cooperation and to make studies for everything possible. But no details were discussed in a short meeting like this. And it is the first meeting."

A lot of ideas were discussed, including some put forward by the Saudi Arabian delegation, Yamani said. The texts and recommendations will be submitted to the heads of states at a summit meeting, he added.

Secretary-General Abdullah Bisarah said the GCC states are facing the challenge of extricating themselves from total dependence on one single source of income. "Since this is a depletable resource we just cannot remain captives of this possibility," he said. The ministers, he said, made it a collective responsibility to diversify incomes and ensure the smooth flow of oil to the consumers. The development of the states of the region should not be dependent on price changes or depletion of resources, they decided. "The dependence of the world on this resource made some powers imagine that while the

Gulf states own the oil they do not at the same time control its flow," he said. "In fact there came a time when the Gulf was about to be internationalized as it was revealed through U.N. discussions."

Bisarah said the sovereignty of the producing states is beyond any doubt and the GCC states are quite capable of controlling their resources without having to take on any partners. He said the ministers had agreed to create a modern oil industry which will benefit the Arab and Muslim worlds.

The final meeting of the ministers resulted in the formation of three committees. One will study petrochemical industries and the utilization of natural gas. The second committee will be made up of national oil companies to coordinate marketing policies and balance supply and demand conditions in the local markets. A third committee will be made up of ministers to study various aspects of cooperation.

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King returns to desert; Fahd meets Hernu

RIYADH, Feb. 1 (SPA) — King Khalid returned Sunday to his desert encampment outside the capital to continue his stay there. In the meantime Crown Prince Fahd received the French Defense Minister Charles Hernu and the Defense Minister Prince Sultan.

Weinberger to visit Kingdom Saturday

Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, Feb. 1 — The U.S. Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger is due to visit the Kingdom for three days beginning Saturday as part of his tour of a number of Gulf states, it was learned here Sunday.

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In 1981 Commodity imports touch SR110b

RIYADH, Feb. 1 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia imported 28 million tons of different kinds of commodities worth SR110.16 billion during the year 1401H (ending Oct. 27, 1981), an official spokesman of the Ministry of Finance and National Economy said here Monday.

He added that, according to official statements submitted by the customs department to the ministry on imports during the year, rice, flour, milk, edible oils and sugar occupied prominent places in the list of imported items which touched the 2.3 million tons mark, costing SR3.7

billion.

During the same period, 4.7 million head of cattle (sheep, cows and camels) were imported at a cost of SR1.9 billion; 350,000 cars at a cost of SR8.8 billion; 330,000 tons of meat at a cost of SR1.8 billion and cement and reinforced iron costing SR3.5 billion, he added.

The spokesman said the imports of agricultural equipment went up during that period as a result of a 107 percent rise in their demand, as compared to the preceding year. Meanwhile, heavy trans-

port vehicles registered an increase of 87 percent; sugar, 69 percent; fully furnished cars, 57 percent; aluminium, 50 percent; and various kinds of meat 43 percent.

But, the spokesman said, the imports of flour declined by 63 percent; car spare parts, by 58 percent; edible oils by 42 percent; reinforced iron by 24 percent; and milk by 14 percent. The decline in the quantity of import of these items has resulted either from their increased production locally or from the completion of their production projects, he added.

Algoasibi says

Kingdom to be advanced state

DAVOS, Feb. 1 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia will soon be categorized as a country which has crossed the economic underdevelopment stage and joined the ranks of advanced countries, according to Industry and Electricity Minister Dr. Ghazi Algoasibi, Monday.

Algoasibi, who was speaking at a press conference in this town, said that the Kingdom's development plans attained "such success which was beyond expectations." The number of industries increased in a few years from 300 to 1,200. More than 2,000 villages have received electricity service in a record time, he said.

Saudi Arabia, while concentrating on the prosperity of its people and development of its economy, did not neglect its commitment toward other countries, especially the Third World countries, Algoasibi said. "The King-

dom's record in foreign aid is one of honor and pride," he said.

"If a large number of countries provide foreign aid at the same percentage, the sad feature marking the economies of many of the Third World countries would have disappeared," the minister said.

He added that the Kingdom intends to enter into the international market with its petrochemical products in a gradual and organized way, to prevent any imbalance in the markets.

Algoasibi began his visit to Switzerland Wednesday. He will brief European businessmen on the Kingdom's industrial program, in general, and the Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation's plans, in particular. He is accompanied by Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Zamel, SABIC's vice-chairman.

Belgian food exhibition scheduled

JEDDAH, Feb. 1 — A Belgian food exhibition will be held at the Al-Badr Jeddah Sheraton Feb. 9 to 11. About 30 companies will display a wide-range of Belgian food items and related goods such as table ware and linen, flowers and pot plants.

The exhibition is part of a Belgian food festival at the Sheraton which continues until

Feb. 18. Specialties, prepared by a Belgian chef, will be served at the Coral Restaurant. Three musicians will add a touch of traditional Belgian folk music.

The week is organized by the Belgian Office for Foreign Trade in cooperation with Sabena Airlines and the Sheraton.

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Investment guide issued in English

RIYADH, Feb. 1 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Consulting House has published a new edition of the Kingdom's Industrial Investment Guide in the English language, consisting of data on economic and industrial matters.

The guidebook has seven chapters interspersed with sketches, schedules and the Kingdom's map. While the first chapter speaks about the country's general facts, the second makes a quick review of the economic situation, manpower and the development plans.

The third and the fourth chapters concentrate on the industrial sector with its objectives, policies and achievements as well as the Kingdom's role in boosting the industrial progress. The fifth part refers to the industrial towns and focuses on manpower problems, health care, transport, communications and power generation in the Kingdom. The guidebook devotes its sixth chapter to industrial laws in vogue in the Kingdom, besides regulations on protecting and encouraging national industries and foreign capital.

The last chapter deals with the basis on which the industrial system of the country is founded, and mentions the available potentials for promoting industrial advancement in the Kingdom.

Harakan confers with Malaysian

MAKKAH, Feb. 1 (SPA) — Secretary General of the Muslim World League Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan Monday conferred with the Malaysian commerce and industry minister, Tengku Ahmad Redzaudin. The meeting concentrated on Islamic issues in general, and relations between the MWL and Malaysian organizations, in particular.

Harakan said that he also discussed with the Malaysian minister steps taken to print 100,000 copies of the Holy Quran in the Malaysian language. The establishment of a national council of mosques in Malaysia also was covered, Harakan added.

The World Supreme Council of Mosques has undertaken to set up national mosque council in South East Asian countries.

In other Islamic news, the fourth international competition for the recitation of the Holy Quran, to be held here from March 27 to April 5, will carry 25 prizes worth about SR888,000, it was stated by Ahmad Said Al-Amoudi, director general of the endowments agency of the Ministry of Pilgrimage and Endowments.

He said Monday that 40 Islamic countries will participate in the contest, in addition to 117 Islamic organizations and associations throughout the world.

Hail agriculture company approved

By Saleh Mashhoor
Arab News Staff

HAIL, Feb. 1 — A royal decree has approved the establishment of the Hail Agricultural Development Company, according to Hail Governor Prince Migren Monday.

Prince Migren, also chairman of the company, told *Arab News* that the new company was set up with an initial capital of SR300 million. While the 27 founders hold shares of SR81 million, the remaining SR219 million will be floated for public subscription, the prince said. The founders are leading Saudi Arabian businessmen.

Prince Migren added that out of several international companies invited to draw up comprehensive economic studies for the new company, the Australian G.M.R. was chosen for the task. The studies are expected to be completed by the beginning of March, he said.

The new company's premises are located 110 kms. out of Hail on the road to Qasim and it will occupy an area of 350 square kms. The company will undertake agricultural activities, animal husbandry and dairy projects.

Studies and designs already have been completed for a dairy farm project and others for a poultry farm. The company will market



Prince Migren

their production by 1983.

Kazem Khalil, a former expert of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), was appointed director general of the company and Aqil Al-Aqlah was chosen for financial and administrative management.

Last year, the Council of Ministers approved the formation of the National Agricultural Development Company with a capital of SR400 million. The state raised 20

percent of the capital and the rest was offered to the public. The company, set up to produce and market various agricultural crops and meat products, initiated from the Wadi Harad (Harad valley) project and plans to cover all areas where agricultural development is possible.

Agricultural experts expect that the Kingdom will be producing enough crops within the next four years to bring about self-sufficiency in fresh vegetables year-round. With the continued development of the communications network, marketing and cold storage facilities and controlled environment farming in greenhouses, Saudi Arabia could replace imports of fresh vegetables during non-growing seasons by the mid-1980s.

Self-sufficiency attained during the growing seasons, but imports are still necessary at various times to supplement lower crop yields in various regions of the country during off season, the experts say. The Kingdom has five major agricultural areas. Ahsa and Qatif in the Eastern Province, Kharij and Qasim in the Central Region and the southern Asir Region. While most areas are watered from artesian wells or ground water, the mountainous Asir relies heavily on rain.

Kayyal to open Jeddah's main postal complex

JEDDAH, Feb. 1 — Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal, minister of posts, telegraph and telephones, is to open the new postal complex here late in April or early May this year, according to *Al-Riyadh* newspaper, Monday.

The complex is now ready to receive and absorb all postal facilities, including the postal institute. At present, furnishings are being completed, so the entire postal machinery can move to the new premises by May.

The modern postal complex will help render better services and greater facilities to the public, because the PTT ministry is keen to modernize its services and develop the level of study at the postal institute. With this aim in view, the ministry plans to appoint Filipino young men through a contract committee. So far, contractees from Egypt, Sudan and Morocco are working in the postal departments.

The Jeddah postal department received nearly 200,000 letters everyday, of which 150,000 are received from foreign countries and 50,000 from different parts of the Kingdom.

Management pact let

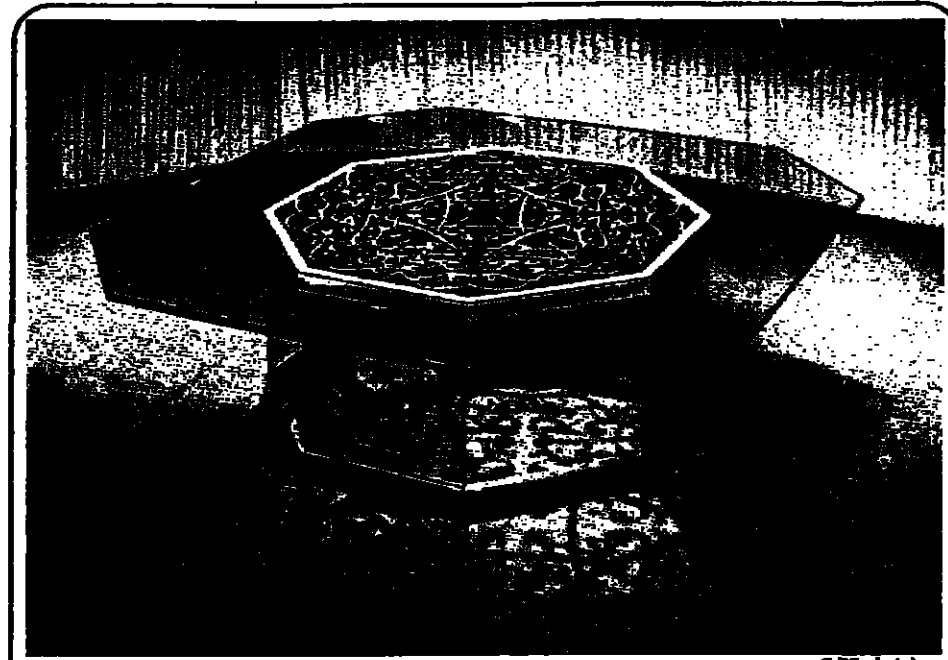
LONDON, Feb. 1 (LPS) — Management of a calcium carbide plant being built in Riyadh is already under way. A contract involves inspection of equipment, supervision of site staff and monitoring of day-to-day progress on the two-year project.

Valued at £300,000, it has been awarded to K. Home Engineering, of north-east England, by the German contractor building the £13 million, 23,000-ton-a-year capacity plant.

The British company is also providing design work for a building complex in the south of the Kingdom. Both contracts follow its participation in a recent trade mission to Saudi Arabia organized by the North of England Development Council.

Qatif plans under way

QATIF, Feb. 1 (SPA) — The municipality of Qatif is carrying out projects valued at over SR194 million according to its mayor Mansour Al-Marzouk. They include public parks and roads. Two completed public parks have been delivered to the municipality.



(LPS photo)

ELEGANCE: A British firm was commissioned to design and build the above beautiful glass table for a client from Saudi Arabia. The elegant table is part of a suite of furniture which includes two sideboards and twelve chairs. The octagonal table, made of 25 mm float glass, weighs 500 kilos and measures 2.5 meters across. London-based stained glass designers and manufacturers Tim Wallace designed the suite. The table's top center panel decoration was created by the famous Arab artist Ahmad Mustafa. The calligraphy was deep sand-blasted and acid brightened into the glass and finished with an outer bank of silver gilt.

BRIEFS

TAIF (SPA) — Visiting French Defense Minister Charles Hernu and his delegation visited the Maintenance Corps School here Monday. The tour included the military workshop and different sections of the school. Hernu arrived here early Monday in the context of his current visit to the Kingdom and left for Dhahran later in the day.

AHSA (SPA) — The senate of King Faisal University holds a meeting here Tuesday under Dr. Muhammad Said Al-Qatani, the rector, to discuss several academic and administrative matters. The meeting will also consider the students' cultural, social and athletic activities, and confer Bachelor's degree (B.A.) on those who have qualified during the first semester.

RIYADH (SPA) — Director of Public

Security Gen. Abdullah Al-Sheikh paid a visit Monday to the public security's training township on Khurais road. He held a meeting with the heads of various departments, and later inspected a number of installations, including the command's premises, museum, conference hall, classrooms, officers' institute, library, criminal labs, hall for indoor games, hostels, officers' club, swimming pool, officers' villas and the orchestra institute.

TABUK (SPA) — Governor of Tabuk Prince Abdul Majeed opened a youth hostel here Sunday. The ceremony was attended by Ibrahim Al-Shami, assistant president of youth welfare for technical affairs, who presented the hostel's emblem to the governor.

Several officials of youth welfare department were present.

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Arafat expects Israeli attacks in S. Lebanon

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 (Agencies) — The Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, Yasser Arafat expects new Israeli strikes in southern Lebanon, *Time* magazine reports in its latest edition.

In an interview with the magazine, Arafat is quoted as saying that Israeli Defense Minister Ariel Sharon had made threatening statements and there are "daily provocations" against the Palestinians. Arafat cited the recent shelling of seven fishing boats in South Lebanon; according to *Time* he said the Israelis had destroyed four of the boats.

Asked if he expected Israel to move into southern Lebanon before April 25 — the deadline for the final Israeli withdrawal from Sijal — and for what purpose, Arafat is quoted as responding that it was in order "to break the backbone of the Palestinian forces. And also to put the Egyptians in a corner."

Arafat is quoted as saying this would be a good test for Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. "It will test whether he will keep silent or will move. If he moves, then the Israelis will not withdraw from Sinai. If he keeps silent, it will mean they are breaking his backbone too", Arafat is quoted.

Arafat, who arrived in Budapest Monday for an official visit to Hungary, criticized the American support for Israel. "We are facing this arrogance of power, this unlimited American help to Israel," he is quoted as saying.

In Beirut meanwhile, the PLO Monday refuted an Israeli charge that the infiltration

by Palestinian commandos into the Israeli-occupied West Bank constituted a violation of a six-month-old ceasefire between the two, the Palestinian news agency reported.

"The Palestinian revolution and the joint (Lebanese leftist-Palestinian) forces affirm their adherence and respect for the U.N.-mediated ceasefire," the agency quoted an unidentified Palestinian military spokesman as saying.

The statement accused Israel of "repeatedly violating the ceasefire tens of times by air, sea and land."

Israeli soldiers Saturday captured three Palestinian commandos who reportedly entered the West Bank from Jordan. Israeli Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Raphael Eytan evaded a question of whether he considered the infiltration a violation of the ceasefire, saying determination of such a violation was a political decision.

But Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, in the first public reaction by a top Israeli official, said Sunday Israel regarded such infiltration a violation of the ceasefire.

The Voice of Palestine radio station, in a commentary quoted by the independent Lebanese newspaper *Al-Nahar*, said the Lebanese newspaper applied only to southern Lebanon but that it was "impossible to halt military operations from any other place inside the (Israeli) occupied lands or outside them so long as the occupation continues."

Bulent Ecevit freed after 2 months in jail

ANKARA, Feb. 1 (AP) — Former Turkish Premier Bulent Ecevit was released from prison Monday after serving two months of a three-month jail term for violating a ban against all political activity and debate by deposed party leaders.

Hundreds of his supporters applauded and shouted words of sympathy as Ecevit emerged from the civilian prison in this capital city. He was driven to his suburban home west of Ankara. His supporters rained flower petals on him and sacrificed rams in the front steps of his house.

In a brief talk with reporters, the poet-politician said, "The will for freedom and democracy shall peacefully break through all obstacles as tender grass breaking through hard rock."

"I have now been released, but as long as the limitations on my freedom of expression continue I feel as in prison everywhere," Ecevit said. Ecevit, 56, was convicted on charges of defying the military's edict when, in a statement to foreign correspondents last October, he criticized the closure of all political parties by the ruling generals.

Shortly afterward a military court sentenced him to three months in prison. He was released after serving two months under a Turkish law which allows the justice ministry to reduce prison terms by one-third for good behavior.



Bulent Ecevit

Asked about a timetable announced by Turkey's head of state, Gen. Kenan Evren, for return to democracy in this NATO-member country, Ecevit said, "I am rather interested in the nature of the upcoming democratic rule instead of its date."

Commenting on the resolution of the Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly against Turkey, Ecevit said, "In my view the true friends of the Turkish people are those who believe the Turkish people deserve a similar democracy of their own."

Ecevit became the first party leader following the military coup to be convicted by a military tribunal. Suleyman Demirel, Ecevit's rival and head of the now-dissolved conservative Justice Party, has kept silent since his ouster by Evren on Sept. 12, 1980.

Two killed, 17 injured

Palestinian groups clash in Beirut

BEIRUT, Feb. 1 (AP) — Yasser Arafat's Fateh faction of the Palestine Liberation Organization clashed with a Syrian-backed PLO organization here Monday, the Palestinian news agency Wafa reported.

Police sources, who declined to be named in accordance with government regulations, said a Fateh man and a byasser were killed and 17 other persons injured in the clash which started in the Palestinian shanty town of Chatilla and spread to the nearby Sabra Palestinian refugee camp on the outskirts of west Beirut.

Wafa said it had no information on casual-

ties, while rightist radio stations in east Beirut reported one man was killed and 16 persons wounded in the fighting.

Explosions echoed through the Lebanese capital as the Voice of Free Lebanon radio station in east Beirut reported the commandos traded artillery and rocket fire.

A spokesman at the PLO Information Office said he had no information on the clash. But Wafa said the trouble started with an argument between a Fateh man and a member of Saiga, a commando faction backed by Syria. The news agency said the fighting lasted about half an hour.

Egypt, Libya ease border crossing

CAIRO, Feb. 1 (R) — Egypt and Libya eased restrictions on their joint border Monday, allowing a group of Egyptian teachers and their families to cross from Libya to take a holiday in Egypt.

An Egyptian Information Ministry spokesman said the border, which has been closed for three years, would be opened for other selected groups but not all traffic could

cross. A foreign ministry spokesman said the reopening of the border was applicable to Egyptian experts working in Libya who would now be able to cross directly for holidays at home. The move appeared to represent a partial thaw in relations between Cairo and Tripoli which have been bad for the past eight years and plunged to a new low after Egypt and Israel signed a peace treaty in 1979.

Gemayel seeks 'serious talks' with Syria, PLO on Lebanon

KUWAIT, Feb. 1 (AP) — A rightist Lebanese leader and parliament member was quoted Monday as blaming Syria for failure of the Lebanese reconciliation process and praising recent Palestinian "restraint" in Lebanon.

Amin Gemayel, son of Phalangist Party leader Pierre Gemayel, also appealed for "a serious dialogue" with Syrian President Hafez Assad and Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat to end feuding in Lebanon.

Gemayel told the Kuwait newspaper *Al-Rai* that he "held Syria responsible for the failure of the reconciliation process in Lebanon."

He praised what he termed "the newly emerging Palestinian trend to refrain from interfering in conflicts which the rightists had

recently been party to."

Gemayel was responding to a call made Sunday by Khaled al-Fahoum, speaker of the Palestine National Council, for "a serious dialogue between the Palestinians and the Lebanese." Fahoum made the call in his major address to the Arab Parliamentary Congress.

"From the bottom of my heart I send this message to President Assad of Syria, saying to him that if we want to work toward fulfillment of the interests of our two countries we must sidestep the issues that have plagued our relations and reunite in order to achieve our common objectives," said Gemayel.

Amin is the brother of Bashir Gemayel, commander of the Lebanese Forces, a coalition of militias drawn from the Phalangist and other rightwing Christian militias.

Lebanon's violence claims 89 lives

BEIRUT, Feb. 1 (R) — Eighty-nine persons died last month in political violence in Lebanon, according to statistics released Monday.

Forty-three of the dead were killed in Beirut and South Lebanon in clashes bet-

ween the Shiite militia organization Amal and an alliance of leftist parties, official and party sources said.

The statistics also reported that 30 bombs exploded in Lebanon in January.

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S. Korea renews proposals for unity

SEOUL, Feb. 1 (AP) — Twenty pilot projects were proposed Monday by South Korea's unification minister as steps toward ending the 36-year-old division of the Korean peninsula.

They include the opening of a highway between the South Korean capital of Seoul and the North Korean capital of Pyongyang, opening of the South Korean port of Incheon and the North Korean port of Chinnampo to free trade and a broad range of exchanges.

Minister Sohn Chae-Shik issued a statement calling on Communist-ruled North Korea to agree "to translate promptly the pilot projects into action."

He noted a plan had been outlined Jan. 22 by President Chun Doo-Hwan and said, "As our unification formula encompasses even North Korean ideas, we see no reason whatsoever why North Korea cannot respond to it affirmatively." Four days after Chun presented his proposals to the National Assembly, North Korea rejected them and repeated its call for a confederation, the withdrawal of U.S. military forces from South Korea and an end to what it called Seoul's anti-Communist confrontation policy.

Sohn said South Korea again was calling on North Korea to agree to a preliminary conference of cabinet-rank officials that could lead to a "meeting between the highest authorities of South and North Korea."

Chun twice last year proposed a summit meeting with North Korean President Kim Il-Sung to begin the unification process, but Kim's response was negative. Other pilot projects proposed by Sohn include: The complete removal of military facilities inside the demilitarized zone, arms-control measures and the "installation and operation of a direct telephone line between the officials responsible for the military affairs of the two sides."

Postal exchanges and the reunion of separated families, joint management of visits by overseas Koreans and their free travel between the two zones, allowing foreigners wishing to visit South and North Korea free access to the two areas and the opening of a joint tourist zone, mutual visits by politicians, businessmen, students, writers, artists and sportsmen, the trading of "products of daily necessity, the establishment of sports facilities inside the demilitarized zone for goodwill matches and participation by South-North delegations in international sports competition were also suggested."



AVALANCHE VICTIM: Mountain rescue men carry the body of a West German schoolboy who died in an avalanche Sunday. Eleven out of a group of 18, all from Berchtesgaden, West Germany, were killed, five were dug out alive, while two were reported missing Monday.

For talks on air base

Haig to visit Portugal

LISBON, Feb. 1 (R) — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig will have talks with the Portuguese government in Lisbon on Feb. 10, officials here said Monday. It will be Haig's first visit to Portugal since the Reagan administration came to power. The officials said the secretary of state would leave Lisbon the following day.

No agenda for the talks has yet been fixed, but a principal issue in U.S.-Portuguese relations this year will be the negotiations on renewing the Lajes agreement, which covers the strategic U.S. air base in Portugal's

mid-Atlantic Azores Islands. The agreement expires next year.

The head of the Azores regional government, Joao Mota Amaral, is at present in the United States and is expected to discuss the future of the base with senior administration officials in Washington this week.

Amaral is due to have talks Tuesday with Frank Carlucci, the assistant defense secretary and former U.S. ambassador to Portugal. Portuguese officials said he also hoped to meet U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger.

BRIEFS

PARIS. (AP) — President Francois Mitterrand plans to visit three Francophone African countries May 20-25, the Elysee Palace announced Monday. In his first trip to black Africa since his election last spring, Mitterrand will be in Niamey, Niger, May 20-21, Abidjan, Ivory Coast, May 22-23, and Dakar, Senegal, May 24-25.

KATMANDU. (AFP) — Assistant Nepalese Finance Minister Badri Prasad Mandal has handed in his resignation following allegations that he "misbehaved" with a hospital nurse, it was reported here Monday. Local newspapers printed allegations of his "misbehavior" at a hospital Friday, and called for his resignation on moral grounds.

BANGKOK. (AFP) — Keo Chanda, a major figure in the Kampuchean regime, has returned to public life after a few months' absence but has apparently lost the post of industry minister, the Cambodian news

agency SPK said in a report monitored here. Keo Chanda recently met with an official delegation from Hanoi (formerly Saigon) in his role as "committee secretary of the People's Revolutionary Party of Kampuchea and president of the Phnom Penh People's Revolutionary Committee," the agency said.

VICTORIA, Seychelles. (AP) — Attorney General Bernard Rassool said Monday that all charges against seven mercenaries arrested in connection with the Nov. 25 abortive coup will be filed by next Friday. Rassool made the announcement during the third court appearance of the six men and one woman, held a day early for security reasons. At Rassool's request, Chief Justice Earl Seaton remanded the mercenaries until Feb. 15. At their first court appearance Jan. 5, the seven were charged in connection with the illegal import of arms into the Seychelles.

U.N. official urges action to protect man's rights

GENEVA, Feb. 1 (AFP) — The United Nations Commission on Human Rights opened its 38th session Monday with a call for urgent action to protect man's right to live.

In a keynote speech, director of the U.N. human rights division Theo van Boven said: "I would like to see every situation where there are violations of human rights taken up and discussed in the United Nations." The right to live "must be considered among the most basic and fundamental questions on the human rights agenda," he said.

Van Boven mentioned U.N. reports stating that at least one million people in Cambodia were massacred under the regime of former Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot, and that in Uganda, more than 250,000 were killed under the former regime. He also said 6,000 political killings had been reported in El Salvador for the first nine months of 1980. In Guatemala, the U.N. documents had reported 5,000 such murders during 1980, Van Boven said. He also mentioned reported mass murders in Iran.

"The Commission on Human Rights of the United Nations is duty bound to address itself to these issues as the most basic, fundamental and urgent priority concerns," he said.

Van Boven said that "if the United Nations is to retain its credibility in the field of human rights, it must deal with the protection of human life as a matter of the most urgent priority." "It must address the problems of genocide, of political liquidations, of mass killings, of arbitrary or summary executions, of disappearances, of torture, of the killing of refugees, or of the indiscriminate killings of civilians during armed conflicts," he said.

The U.N. commission is to meet until March 12. Among other items to be discussed during the session is the right to self-determination of various peoples, including the Afghans, Cambodians and Palestinians.

Reports of torture and disappearances also are scheduled to be discussed. Those talks reportedly would be aimed at several Latin American countries.

The commission is also to examine the possibility of doing away with apartheid, and of adopting a bill concerning torture. Also expected during the commission's debates is discussion of the imposition of martial law in Poland. Although that question is not included on the agenda, the United States has said it plans to denounce the crackdown during the meetings.

For allergy treatment

French adopt Chinese cure

LYONS, Central France, Feb. 1 (AFP) — French scientists believe they have made a major breakthrough in the treatment of allergies by using a 5,000-year-old Chinese remedy — the tiny egg of a quail. About seven million people in France suffer from allergies.

Two hundred French doctors specializing in allergies are currently prescribing medicine, with a quail egg base, for their patients, especially those suffering from asthma. Many French doctors laugh at what they call "old wives' cures."

The quail egg treatment for allergies was current in Paris as long ago as 1880, but then appears to have petered out. It is still used in China, Hungary and the Soviet Union. Now Dr. Andre Chevallier, director of an allergy research laboratory in Paris, has taken up the treatment more seriously. He has organized two quail breeders to provide him with eggs under the strictest hygienic conditions — staff wear gloves, boots and white coats when handling the eggs. They provide 3,000 carefully-selected quail eggs weekly.

By a strange coincidence, some people are actually allergic to the quail egg itself, so

that medical checks must first be made on patients wanting this treatment. For this reason, the treatment can be given only through a medical prescription.

One of the quail breeders swears by the remedy, for his own son was cured from being allergic to horses — and every time he approached his own he went into convulsions. He was given a medicine with a quail egg base and the allergy ended permanently, enabling him to go horse-riding every day.

Dr. Chevallier is optimistic that in six months' time he will be ready to market his treatment on a wide scale, but he realizes that some doctors remain skeptical.

Dr. Chevallier would like to see the nine-day allergy treatment easier for the patient to accept. At present, he must eat four raw quail eggs every morning for three days, then five each morning for the next three days and six each morning for the last three days.

Dr. Chevallier is aiming to isolate the element in the egg which cures allergies and to process it so that it can be available in capsule form.

U.S. police hunt for gunman

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1 (AP) — Officials faced a Monday deadline for charging or releasing a teenager in the assassination of a Turkish diplomat, and police continued their hunt for a second gunman sighted at the day-light ambush.

Hanpig Sassounian, 19, was arrested and booked for investigation of murder Thursday, several hours after Turkish Consul General Kemal Arkan was shot to death as his car stopped at a traffic light on busy Wilshire Boulevard. An anti-Turkish group calling itself Justice Commandos of Armenian Genocide claimed responsibility for the killing. Sassounian is of Armenian extraction.

State law requires police to release Sassounian unless they bring charges by Monday. William M. Paparian, Sassounian's attorney, said authorities planned to put the youth in a police lineup for witnesses to the shooting. Sassounian was arrested at his Pasadena home after a car leaving the scene of the crime was traced to his address.

France smashes drug gang

PARIS, Feb. 1 (AFP) — French customs smashed a cannabis smuggling network over the weekend with the arrest of 11 South Americans following a tipoff by the International Police Organization (Interpol), police announced here Monday.

Dutch police advised Interpol of a shipment of 200 kilos (440 lbs.) worth one million francs (about \$190,000) and French police traced the consignment to an address just outside Paris. The cannabis was brought to France by ship, and the idea was to sell a small

amount in France, with the rest to be taken by two South Americans to the Netherlands.

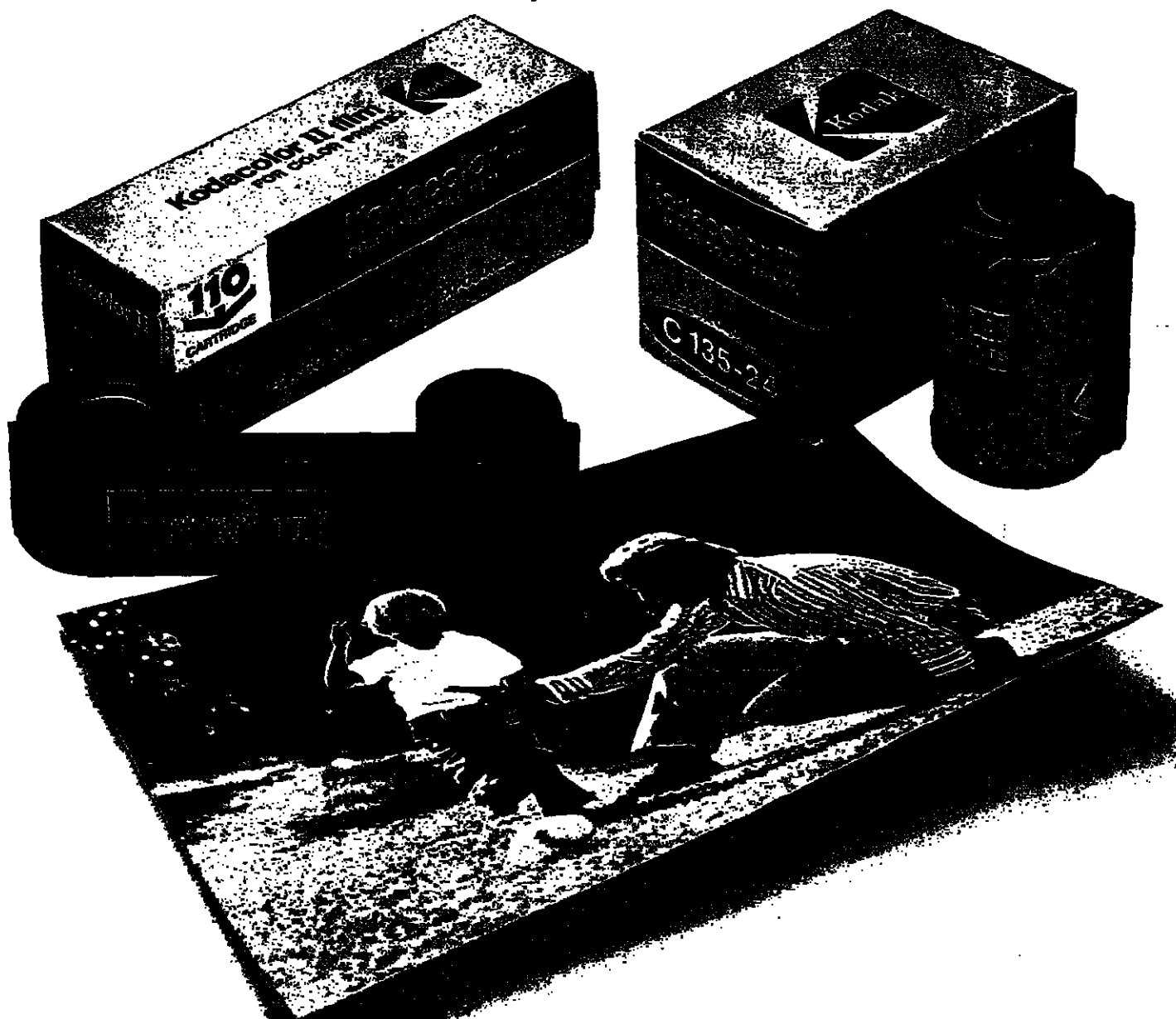
The arrest of the couple, Gustavo Curiel-Guadalupe and Arantina Curiel-Gomez, both 25, who are naturalized Dutch subjects, led to other members of the gang.

One of them, a Spaniard, was found with traces of cocaine in the double bottom of his suitcase. The others who were arrested are Colombian and Venezuelan nationals. They have all been charged with drug trafficking and jailed to await trial.

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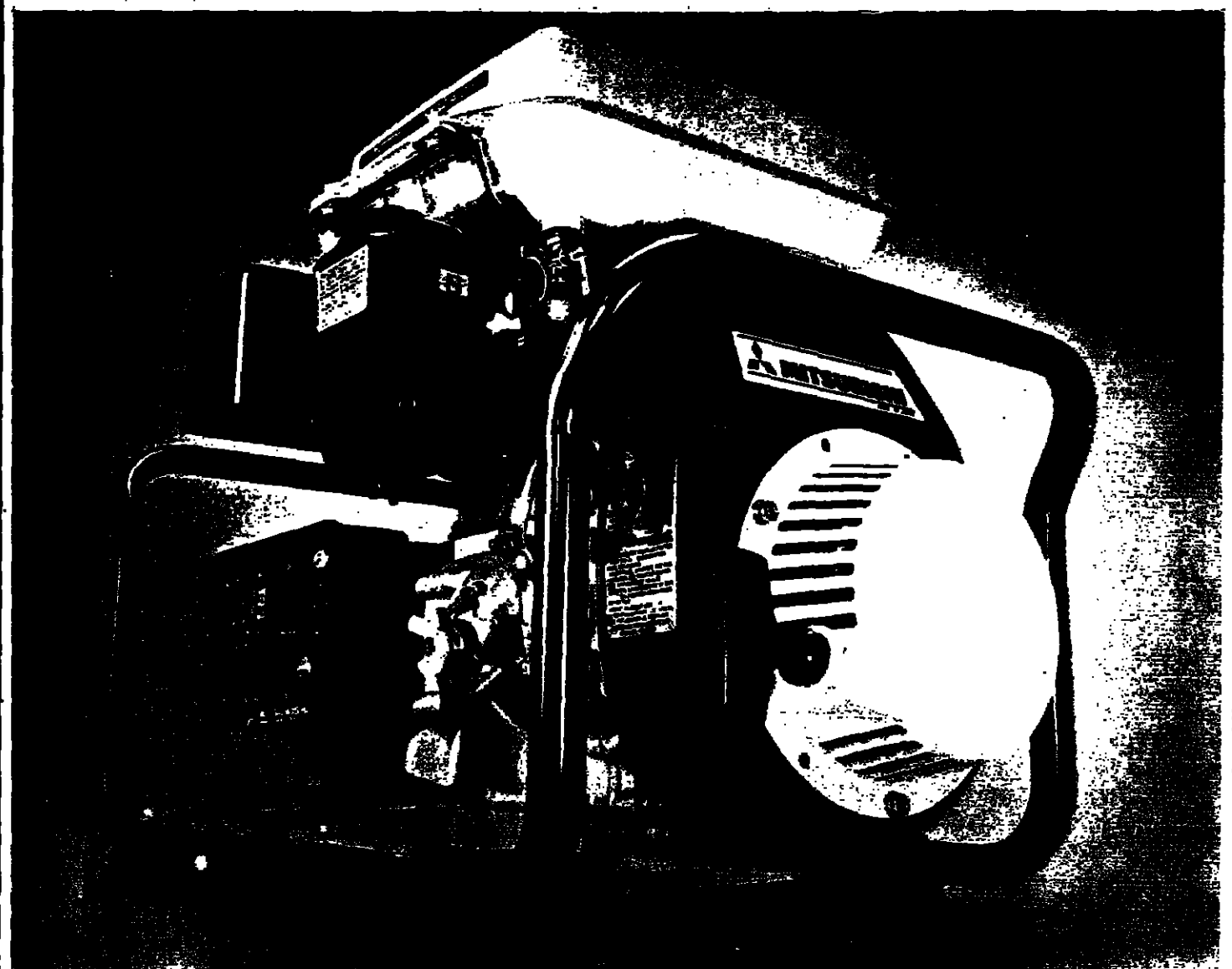
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To fight unemployment

U.S. disfavors interest rate cut

DAVOS, Switzerland, Feb. 1. (R) — The United States will not act to lower its interest rates to alleviate world unemployment, U.S. Trade Representative William Brock said Monday.

High U.S. interest rates and their deflationary effect on the economies of other nations were discussed extensively during the weekend at an informal European management symposium here of industry and economy ministers from 20 countries, he said.

"But we cannot and will not reflate," he told journalists in reply to questions, adding that to do so would lead to a resurgence of inflation in the United States.

Last Friday, West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and French Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy appealed to the U.S. to lower its interest rates, indicating there was a link between them and unemployment in the Western world.

Brock's comments, indicating that the U.S. will continue to give priority to its domestic goals, gave further support on foreign exchange markets Monday to the dollar, which made strong gains against most other major currencies because of U.S. money sup-

ply figures Friday suggesting that American interest rates may soon move higher.

Earlier, in his address, Brock urged an agreement to make the world safer for investors.

"We must come to grips with the problems of investment and all the attendant problems of liberalizing the free movement of capital," Brock said.

In Washington, a spokesman for Brock, who asked not to be named, said the administration view of world trade problems could lead to a major new round of international trade negotiations — a successor to the "Tokyo round" that ended two years ago.

Investment problems were the first on Brock's list of what should be tackled. The Reagan administration has already started negotiating a series of treaties with poor countries, designed to encourage American investors to bring them new industry and jobs. Egypt and Panama are the first two where talks have started, and Brock's aides say there may be 15 or 20, eventually. The spokesman said poor countries need this kind of help more than they need official aid and special privileges for their exports.

In the American view, such treaties should contain guarantees that foreign investors can move their funds in and out of countries freely, that they should be treated at least as well as — if not better than — local investors, that they should be protected against loss from nationalization, war or other violence and that disagreements with local authorities can be settled by appeal to an impartial body. In recent years, as the United States has been importing more than it exports, it has depended for much of its international earnings on return from investments abroad.

In his speech Brock looked forward to the top-level meeting in Geneva of the 86 governments in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, scheduled for November.

"The government of the United States," he said, "is committed to making the GATT ministerial (meeting) a beginning, not an end."

Each nation must now decide whether to make the political commitment to inventory, analyze and seriously discuss the new threats to world trade, or choose the easier but infinitely more dangerous alternative of simply going to one more meeting to exchange platitudes and pleasantries.

China economic outlook dim

MOSCOW, Feb. 1 (AFP) — China is in for a difficult economic year in 1982, exacerbated by sharp political conflict and worsening labor problems, in the view of the Soviet party newspaper *Pravda* Monday.

Chinese heavy industrial output dropped sharply last year, it said. More than one-quarter of Chinese enterprises recorded a deficit. Production of coal, oil and gas declined and average per capita grain output was currently well below the international average.

"The situation in China is made worse by the endless power struggle. The stability and cohesion of the ruling group referred to in Peking's propaganda, exists only on paper," *Pravda* affirmed.

It added: "The compromise reached at the sixth party plenum has merely given a new stimulus to widening divergences and the tendency battle within the leadership."

Meanwhile, Peking authorities have received almost 4,000 telephone calls about inflated prices since a special hotline was set up two weeks ago. The *People's Daily* said Monday. Forty-six percent were complaints

about unauthorized price increases while the others were mainly requests for the official prices of items.

The city newspaper *Peking Daily* complained that black marketeers were illegally buying large quantities of goods from shops and reselling them at inflated prices. Shops were only too willing to sell dealers the goods as they could pass on the profits as bonuses to their staff, it said.

In another development China will float a bond issue this year totaling 4,000 million yuan (almost \$2,300 million), New China News Agency reported.

Half these treasury bonds are to be sold to public and collective enterprises and half to individuals, the agency quoted a government circular as saying. Interest would be eight percent per annum for individuals and four percent a year for enterprises, the agency said.

Last year, for the first time in 25 years, China issued 5,000 million yuan (\$3,300 million) in treasury bonds to partially finance its massive budget deficit. The circular noted that the country's financial situation was "still difficult," the agency said.

London stock market

LONDON, Feb. 1 (R) — The market closed lower after a quiet session with the higher trend in U.S. interest rates prompting some selling interest, dealers said. At 1500 hours the *Financial Times* index was down five points at 574.8.

Government bonds closed with net falls of up to 3/4 point in line with the New York bond market. Prices turned higher a little during mid-session after news the Bank of England cut its money market intervention rates but the rally was short lived and prices closed at the lows of the day, dealers added. Gold shares, U.S. issues and Canadian stocks were all easier.

GECC and ICI ended 12 1/2 pence lower at 337p and 330p respectively while falls of 5p to 18p were noted in BP, Shell, GKN, Glaxo, and Hawker.

Barclays was 10p off in banks at 458 and other clearers ended between 6p and 8p. Guardian Royal ended 8p down.

Fisons rose 40p to high of 220p after news it had agreed to sell its agricultural fertilizer division to Norsk Hydro for 50 million sterling subject to shareholder approval before softening to 218p.

Jakarta acts to bolster gas output

JAKARTA, Feb. 1 (AFP) — The Pertamina oil company, which accounts for 70 percent of Indonesia's income, is undertaking an aggressive investment and drilling program, as well as increasing natural gas output, in an effort to stem dropping production since 1978 and stagnated revenues due to the world oil glut.

The state-owned company is the linchpin of the country's economy and Indonesia's non-petroleum exports dropped 25 percent last year. A foreign oil expert said: "A developing country of 147 million people should not sit on its oil and wait for an eventual price rise, in order to sell at a better price."

Natural gas is the hope of the future for Pertamina, with experts claiming that most major petroleum finds have already been made in the company's fields. Pertamina's "ace card" according to company President Gen. Judo Sumpono is in the construction of several gas liquefaction plants.

Indonesia is already the largest world exporter to Japan of liquefied gas, with 2.3 thousand million in exports from April, 1980 to May, 1981. Indonesia wants to export gas to Korea, Australia and the Philippines but is limited by transport and investment costs.

Nigeria's steel plant inaugurated

LAGOS, Feb. 1 (R) — Nigeria has opened the largest steel complex in Africa as its first major step in a program aimed at making the country self-sufficient in steel products.

The Delta Steel Plant at Aladja, near Warri in Bendel state, was opened by President Shehu Shagari on Friday and is the first series of important metallurgical projects.

A blast furnace complex is under construction by the Soviet Union at Ajaokuta, Kwara state, and President Shagari said plans for three further steel plants and an aluminium smelter were being finalized.

When completed, the total of these plants should ensure self-sufficiency for Nigeria in steel products for at least the rest of this century, the president said.

Built by a consortium of one Austrian and nine West German companies led by GHH-Sterker, the 1.3-billion-naira (\$2 billion) Delta plant will initially be capable of producing 960,000 tons of liquid steel a year.

London commodities

| | Closing | Monday |
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| Gold (\$ per ounce) | 380.00 | 380.00 |
| Silver cash (pence per ounce) | 429.00 | 429.00 |
| 3 months | 444.50 | 444.50 |
| Copper cash | 864.75 | 864.75 |
| 3 months | 892.50 | 892.50 |
| Tin cash | 8620.00 | 8620.00 |
| 3 months | 7995.00 | 7995.00 |
| Lead cash | 357.00 | 357.00 |
| 3 months | 366.50 | 366.50 |
| Zinc cash | 458.00 | 458.00 |
| 3 months | 463.50 | 463.50 |
| Aluminium cash | 597.25 | 597.25 |
| 3 months | 619.75 | 619.75 |
| Nickel cash | 3067.50 | 3067.50 |
| 3 months | 3117.50 | 3117.50 |
| Sugar March | 176.30 | 176.30 |
| May | 179.10 | 179.10 |
| Coffee March | 1217.00 | 1217.00 |
| May | 1175.00 | 1175.00 |
| Cocoa March | 1156.50 | 1156.50 |
| May | 1141.50 | 1141.50 |

Note: Prices in pounds per metric ton. The above prices are provided by Smith Research & Investment Ltd., P.O. Box 6474, Tel: 663308, Jeddah.

Dollar scales new heights

By J. H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Feb. 1 — The American dollar opened strong on the European markets, Monday. Major gains were recorded against the continental currencies, and the German mark came under renewed speculative selling pressure. Eurodollar interest rates remained firm with rises of between 1/16 and 1/8 percent recorded in most tenors. In the bullion markets, gold was steady at \$382.50 per ounce in London compared with \$385.60 on Friday. Bullion dealers reported little activity. However, in the local markets, rial rates opened weaker compared to Sunday's high closing levels, but had also firmed by between 1/4 and 1/2 percent by the close of the trading session.

The American dollar was aided yet again by the firmings of the dollar's interest rates. While dealing was reported to have been moderate on the money markets, dollar interest rates were in demand on the grounds that this week would see continued interest rate hikes. Short term Eurodollar interest rates went up by between 1/16 and 1/8 percent while the longer tenors remained more stable. One month Eurodollar rates are now quoted at 14 1/4-14 1/2 percent while the one week rate is just under the 15 percent level. Other key rates were also affected. With the three month rate trading at 15 1/4-15 1/2 percent Monday compared with 1 1/16-1 1/8 percent Friday. Long term dollar interest rates remained stable, however, with the one year being quoted at 15 1/16-15 1/8 percent.

With such confidence shown in the present rate structure, the American currency surged ahead in the European exchange markets and had reached 2.3420 against the German mark by afternoon. London reported that the mark had reached 2.3500 at one stage against the dollar, but some

Bundesbank intervention helped the mark to partially recover.

In other currency news, the French franc lost another 300 points to trade at 5.9610 levels Monday compared with 5.9300 on Friday while the Swiss franc fell back to 1.8630 from opening levels of 1.8520. The Japanese yen came under some intense selling pressure after the revelation that Japan's trade deficit for the month of January had reached the amount of \$2.49 billion. The yen slumped to 231.60 from 230.10 levels Friday. Sterling continued to waver around 1.8650 after losing one cent in earlier trading and dealers expect a slide toward the 1.83-1.8400 levels this week.

In the local exchange markets, the dollar's buoyancy helped spot rial/dollar rates go up from 3.4190-00 levels to 3.4205-10 by close of the trading session. Deals were few, however, with most institutions still undecided how far the dollar will continue to rise.

In the money markets, rial deposit levels opened weaker compared to Sunday closing levels with one month JIBOR bid-offer rates quoted at 12 1/2-13 1/2 percent in Jeddah but later rising to 13-13 1/2 percent by mid-afternoon. On Sunday the rate had been 13 1/2-14 1/2 percent. Week fixed rate also rose from opening levels of 12-12 1/2 percent to 13-14 percent while the one-year deposit like its American counterpart, back hardly moved from opening levels of 14 1/2-14 3/4 percent.

Closing gold prices (in U.S. ounces per troy ounce):

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| London | 378.63 |
| Paris | 373.22 |
| Frankfurt | 382.96 |
| Zurich | 380.50 |
| Hong Kong | 385.94 |

Regan sees jobless hit 10%

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (R) — Treasury Secretary Donald Regan said that unemployment in the United States was likely to reach 10 percent this year even if the economy recovers in the spring as the administration expects.

The U.S. unemployment rate now stands at 8.9 percent, just short of the post-war record of nine percent. Asked in a television interview whether he agreed with projections by Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige that the rate would go as high as 10 percent in 1982, Regan said: "I would not disagree with Secretary Baldrige."

He said: "We're terribly upset by these unemployment figures, and even with recovery in the spring, we know unemployment lags. We will do our best to try and bring it down."

Regan said the administration forecast an inflation rate of between seven percent and

eight percent for this year. He also said the prime interest rate would be "well below its current level of 15.75 percent by the end of 1982."

Meanwhile, most Americans believe Reaganomics have helped the rich and hurt the poor, according to the latest Associated Press-NBC news poll.

But a majority believe President Reagan's program will eventually have a "trickle down" effect to help middle and lower income classes. The nationwide telephone poll surveyed 1,599 adults by telephone Wednesday and Thursday, after the president's State of the Union address Tuesday.

Majorities also said they think the president's economic program will reduce inflation faster but will not reduce unemployment, and a plurality said they don't want to see inflation drop more if it means higher unemployment.

U.S. rejects mineral output subsidy

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (R) — The White House has rejected the idea of subsidizing production of cobalt, titanium, bauxite and guayule, budget director David Stockman said Monday.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) had argued before the Senate banking committee last year that dependence on imports of the four materials left the U.S. defense industry vulnerable to supply disruptions abroad. The government decision not to subsidize production of the four materials was revealed in a letter from Stockman to Senator William Proxmire.

Stockman said he was confident that tax incentives would encourage new capital investment in minerals production. But Congressional sources said several members from states with mining or defense interests might oppose the decision.

"If we're going to engage in a massive defense buildup here... we're going to have to get virtually all of it from overseas sources and some are unreliable," a Congressional analyst told Reuters.

The materials are necessary for the production of missiles and jet aircraft. At present, the U.S. stock market

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 (AP) — The stock market took a sharp drop Monday morning bringing an abrupt halt to last week's rally. The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks, up 26.07 last week, tumbled 12.75 to 858.35 in the first half hour. Losers took a 2 to 1 lead over others among New York stock exchange-listed issues.

The upswing in stock prices last week was attributed partly to hopes for a decline in interest rates. But that optimism received a setback Friday when the Federal Reserve Board issued weekly statistics showing a much smaller decline in the money supply than analysts had expected. Interest rates in the bond and short-term money markets rose sharply after the report.

the United States imports all of its cobalt and natural rubber and most of its titanium and bauxite.

"It is prudent to have at least greater self-sufficiency than we have now," the analyst said. He said two cobalt mines in Idaho and Missouri were ready to start production but would find it almost impossible to raise the necessary \$1 billion without a guaranteed price for sales to the government.

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| Canadian Dollar | 146.25 | 146.00 |
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| Egyptian Pound | 93.00 | 93.15 |
| Emirates Dirham (100) | 57.50 | 57.40 |
| French Franc (100) | 55.00 | 54.95 |
| Greek Drachma (1,000) | — | 57.25 |
| Indian Rupee (100) | — | — |
| Iranian Rial (100) | 6.50 | — |
| Israeli Dinar | 27.50 | 27.40 |
| Italian Lira (10,000) | 14.80 | 14.80 |
| Japanese Yen (1,000) | 10.00 | 9.94 |
| Kuwaiti Dinar | 12.05 | 12.03 |
| Lebanese Lira (100) | 72.00 | 71.65 |
| Moroccan Dirham (100) | 60.50 | 62.90 |
| Pakistan Rupee (100) | — | 33.05 |
| Philippines Peso (100) | — | 41.80 |
| Pound Sterling | 6.42 | 6.40 |
| Qatari Riyal (100) | 94.00 | 94.05 |
| Singapore Dollar (100) | — | 164.30 |
| Spanish Peseta (1,000) | — | 34.50 |
| Swiss Franc (100) | 183.75 | 183.60 |
| Syrian Lira (100) | 58.70 | 63.50 |
| Turkish Lira (1,000) | 3.429 | 3.422 |
| U.S. Dollar | 75.00 | 74.90 |
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TOKYO, (AFP) — Japan's gold and foreign exchange reserves stood at \$28.245 million at the end of January, a decrease of \$158 million from a month before, the finance ministry reported Monday. It was the second consecutive monthly decline in the nation's exchange holdings.

MOSCOW, (AFP) — Electric delivery vans will be put into production this year in the Soviet Union, the army newspaper *Red Star* has reported.

Called "electromobiles", they will be used in towns only, owing to their short range of about 30 miles stemming from the still unsolved heavy battery problem. Only a few hundred of the vans will be made between now and 1985.

LISBON, (R) — Portugal's secretary of state for foreign affairs, Leonardo Matias, left here Monday to start a 12-day tour of the Gulf aimed at boosting Portuguese exports to oil-producing states.

Matias, a Middle East specialist, is to arrive in Kuwait Tuesday and leave for Bahrain on Feb. 5. On Feb. 9, he will leave for a three-day visit to Saudi Arabia, according to a foreign ministry statement.

PARIS, (R) — French External Relations Minister Claude Cheysson returned to Paris after a 24-hour visit to Algeria which informed sources said was aimed at settling a two-year disagreement over natural gas prices. Cheysson flew to Algiers unexpectedly Saturday, and the sources said his purpose was to try to sort out details which held up a price settlement in talks in Paris last Tuesday between the two state gas authorities, Sonatrach of Algeria and Gaz de France.

LONDON, (AFP) — Norsk Hydro, the Norwegian petrochemical company, has agreed to buy the British Fisons company fertilizer division for about 50 million pounds, Fisons said Monday.

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INDO-PAKISTAN AMITY

The foreign ministers of India and Pakistan have ended their talks in New Delhi on a note of optimism about the prospects of signing a no-war, non-aggression pact. Both Agha Shahi of Pakistan and Narasimha Rao of India declared they had cleared the air sufficiently between them to consider specific elements which could form the basis of a proposed non-aggression pact. Further talks will take place in Islamabad later this month, indicating that the two big powers of South Asia have come to realize the wisdom of peaceful co-existence and the folly of costly arms purchases.

The non-aggression pact had been discussed and offered by Indian and Pakistani leaders since the Simla agreement which ended the trauma of the war that brought about Bangladesh. What came to be known as the Simla spirit underscored improved relations between the two countries and has so far prevented another deadly conflict in the sub-continent.

Since then Pakistan has learned to live without its eastern wing, which used to be called East Bengal and has in fact prospered without it, thanks to its development plans and the influx of foreign exchange from its citizens working in the Arab world. India has also followed a serene policy of fostering friendly relations with its smaller neighbors despite its enormous power and ability to influence the trend of events in the region.

Another, and perhaps more powerful factor is the Soviet invasion and occupation of Afghanistan which brought the Soviet borders smack into those of Pakistan and imposed on the poor country the unbearable burden of two million Afghan refugees. In a moment, the Soviet Union became a power in its own right in the region and has since served notice that it means to stay put. As such, Moscow is not going to appreciate too deeply the Indo-Pakistani rapprochement just if it did not exactly bless the Sino-Indian rapport which followed the visit to Delhi of the Chinese foreign minister last year.

It is therefore, conceivable, that the Soviet Union might try to abort the newly generated spirit of friendliness between Pakistan and India through the abundant means of mischief at its disposal.

New Delhi and Islamabad must guard against it if they are eager to safeguard their amity.

Saudi Arabian press review

The current visit of French Defense Minister Charles Hernu to the Kingdom, the GCC oil ministers' conference and the U.N. General Assembly debate on imposing punitive measures against Israel for its illegal annexation of the Syrian Golan Heights figured for editorial comment in Monday's newspapers.

Okaz highlighted the Kingdom's concern to bolster its armed forces with sophisticated weapons from diversified sources. "The Kingdom's concern about the development of the armed forces also stems from its strong determination to preserve its neutrality, safeguard its frontiers and promote coordination and cooperation with the Gulf states on a sound and solid basis," the paper added.

On the same subject, *Al-Bilad* said, "The Kingdom's armed forces have been turned into an effective channel for backing Arab rights and confronting all challenges aimed at damaging the Gulf states' plans for development, construction and progress." Referring to the military cooperation with France, the paper said, "This will lead to clear French understanding of Arab and Islamic causes and will ensure constructive moves for the restoration of the occupied Arab lands."

Commenting on the Franco-Saudi cooperation, *Al-Nadwa* wrote, "The series of meetings

held between officials of the two countries since President Mitterrand took over the presidency have resulted in forging close friendship and relations in all spheres and identical viewpoints on many major issues."

"The existing strong ties between France and Saudi Arabia will contribute positively to the international efforts aiming at world peace and security," the paper said.

Al-Jazirah dealt with the Israeli attempts "to create suspicions among some leaders of the Palestinian people in the occupied Arab lands, like Rashad Shawa and Elias Freij." It called on the Palestinian people to be fully aware of such malicious designs of the Zionist enemy and urged them to foil such dangerous plots.

Commenting on the General Assembly's debate on the Israeli annexation of the Golan Heights, *Al-Madinah* said: "The Arabs have behaved in a rational manner by pursuing the diplomatic battle against the Zionist entity following the U.S. veto of the Security Council resolution on the Israeli annexation of the Golan Heights. The current General Assembly debate is another effort in unveiling Israel's aggressive acts and its blind supporters. The U.S. and other nations' support for the Zionist entity should not prevent the Arabs from stopping their diplomatic battle against the Israeli aggression in the Middle East."



U.S., South Africa link Namibia issue to Angola

By Robert Stephens

LONDON — Hopes of preventing war in southern Africa may depend on the outcome of the recent talks between the United States, South Africa and Angola. The talks in London and Paris dealt with the independence of Namibia and the presence of Cuban and South African troops in Angola.

The United States and South Africa both want the two questions linked. Angola and the other African states concerned, as well as the Southwest Africa People's Organization (SWAPO), the main Namibian nationalist movement, regard the future of Angola and Namibia as separate problems.

There are believed to be between 15,000 and 20,000 Cuban troops in Angola and South African forces have been operating in the south of the country, attacking SWAPO bases and giving support to the dissident guerrillas of UNITA (National Union for the Total Independence of Angola).

The talks began with meetings in London between the U.S. assistant secretary of state for African Affairs, Dr. Chester Crocker, and the permanent head of the South African Foreign Ministry, Dr. Brand Fourie. Both men also met the British

foreign secretary, Lord Carrington.

The London talks are understood to have been devoted mainly to the latest revised Western plan for achieving Namibian independence. The plan was submitted two months ago to all the parties concerned — South Africa, SWAPO, Angola and other African "front-line states," Nigeria and Kenya. They have all been reported as giving unofficial approval to the plan but have not yet formally agreed to it. The plan calls for a transitional administration in Namibia with 8,000 U.N. troops of UNTAG (United Nations Transition Assistance Group) to supervise the truce and transition to independence; third, elections and adoption of a constitution.

The original Western plan was in three phases: First, a ceasefire between South African forces and SWAPO guerrillas; second, a transitional administration in Namibia with 8,000 U.N. troops of UNTAG (United Nations Transition Assistance Group) to supervise the truce and transition to independence; third, elections and adoption of a constitution.

The Reagan administration brought a new trend in U.S. policy, more favorable to South Africa as an ally against communism in southern Africa and more concerned about evicting the Cubans from Angola.

At a special U.N. Assembly session on Namibia last September, Dr. Crocker made it plain that the United States would not take any action to alienate South Africa "in order to curry favor elsewhere." He said there was an "intimate relationship between the civil war in Angola and the Namibian conflict." A Namibian settlement should be linked to, or lead to, the departure of Cubans from Angola.

Dr. Crocker talks in Zurich last September, Dr. Crocker seemed to have persuaded South Africa to accept a new formula laying down in the first phase the principles on which Namibia's constitution would eventually be based. In place of reserved seats in the assembly for the white minority, which SWAPO rejected, there would be a bill of rights based on the U.N. Declaration of Human Rights.

Last October the African states and SWAPO, meeting in Dar es Salaam, were reported to have accepted the Western plan with only slight changes. The revised Western plan submitted in December provided for a two-tier electoral system for the constituent assembly. Half the seats would be filled by proportional representation on national lists, while the other half would be on the basis of

single-member constituencies.

The proposal meets the African demand for a "one man, one vote" system, but could make it more difficult for SWAPO to obtain the two-thirds majority needed for constitutional changes.

SWAPO has not yet given its formal reply, but its spokesman in London said recently he did not see much likelihood of a settlement in the near future. SWAPO still believed South Africa's basic aim was to prevent Namibia falling under the control of a SWAPO government, which it would see as "equivalent to seeing the flag of Moscow flying over Windhoek."

The Paris talks between Dr. Crocker and the Angolan foreign minister, Paulo Jorge, followed an approach at the end of December from Angolan President Jose Eduardo Dos Santos and a response from Washington favoring "a deepened dialogue."

The United States has not yet recognized the Angolan government and has been flirting with the rebel UNITA, led by Jonas Savimbi. Soon after taking office, President Reagan tried — and failed — to secure from Congress the repeal of the Clark Amendment which forbids U.S. aid to any group in Angola. — (ONS)

Moscow renews bid to unify India's Communists

By Prakash Chandra

NEW DELHI — Alarmed by the prospect of a Sino-Indian reconciliation, the Soviet Union has renewed its bid to unify India's warring Communist Parties. By doing so, Moscow hopes this would serve as a counterweight to whatever anti-Soviet sentiment may stem from Russian policies in the Far East, particularly its protracted occupation of Afghanistan.

The Communist movement in India has been rent by the political intramurals between the pro-Soviet Communist Party of India (CPI) and the Communist Party of India (Marxist) or CPI (M).

CPI (M) has lately shed its pro-China leanings and has tried to maintain its neutrality in the Sino-Russian ideological "war." Moscow feels that as long as the two Communist parties persist in trying to cancel each other out politically, the whole movement would only play itself into China's hand.

The Soviet move has been influenced partly by fears that its influence in India would be eroded if U.S. President Reagan manages to mend fences with Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, a possibility held by some diplomatic observers as not unlikely. Reagan has invited Mrs. Gandhi to make a state visit to the U.S. in what both Washington and

New Delhi observers interpret as a clear sign from the Reagan administration to improve U.S.-India relations.

An early Washington visit by the Indian prime minister now appears remote following the U.S. decision to sell F-16 planes to Pakistan which was strongly condemned by Mrs. Gandhi. She has accused the U.S. of interfering in the internal affairs of the subcontinent and of creating tensions in the area. But U.S. officials said that despite the vehemence of Mrs. Gandhi's attacks on the Pakistan deal, she hasn't foreclosed the possibility of a dialogue with the U.S. President that could open up new channels of reconciliation.

The Soviet intention is precisely aimed at maintaining a certain political leverage on New Delhi even if a U.S.-Indian reconciliation is forged. And a unified Communist Party of India would just be the ideal force to carry and defend the Soviet banner in Moscow's thinking.

To a certain degree, Soviet efforts to unify the two warring parties have already borne fruit. Of late, the CPI (M) has been moving away from its old pro-Belgian stance and indeed it has started looking up to Moscow for help and guidance. The Soviets want the Communist parties to support Mrs. Gan-

dhi's government along the policy forged by the pro-Soviet CPI which the CPI (M) had consistently opposed.

Soviet policy experts, according to competent Indian observers, are working feverishly behind the scenes to persuade the two Communist parties to come together and back Mrs. Gandhi. The Soviets argue that a unified Communist Party would be in a better position to wrest control of the government after Mrs. Gandhi. Both parties have given this argument a favorable hearing, the pro-Soviet faction particularly.

But the question now remains whether a unified Communist movement would be to the liking of Mrs. Gandhi herself. While she has accepted the support of one of the Communist factions, it is problematical whether a potent political force like a unified Communist Party would in the long run, constitute a threat to her rule. The fact is, Mrs. Gandhi distrusts both CPI and CPI (M). The man who left the party but has remained a faithful follower of the prime minister.

Dange himself may be the central figure in Moscow's campaign to unify the Indian Communist factions. He has made frequent visits to Moscow and has been Russia's pivot man in its efforts to recon-

cile the two parties. Moscow is concerned that the ruling party, headed by Mrs. Gandhi, is heavily influenced by right-wing elements. It is apprehensive that the dominance of the right-wing members may eventually force Mrs. Gandhi to abandon some of her Socialist goals to appease the West in the face of India's growing indebtedness to the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

India has been experiencing a growing isolation from the West because of its policy of strict control over private foreign enterprises. Adding to Moscow's concern is the possibility that the India-China estrangement may be coming to an end. When this happens, Moscow's influence in India would be greatly reduced. The Soviet lobby is making sure this does not happen. This explains the Soviets' increasingly strident verbal attack on Pakistan and the U.S. policy toward both India and Pakistan.

Afghanistan remains an emotional issue in India that has been exploited by the West. But despite persistent efforts to prod Mrs. Gandhi to strongly condemn the Russian invasion, she has refused to be swayed by their arguments. Observers here admit that Mrs. Gandhi's position may be the only way to maintain a political balance between the Soviets and the West without unduly antagonizing the other. (Depthnews Asia)

El Salvador claims 'big gains' against rebels

By George Rodriguez Oteiza

SAN SALVADOR — One year after a self-proclaimed final offensive by leftist guerrillas failed, El Salvador's ruling junta believes it now has more authority over the country. "This past year has favored the armed forces," President Jose Napoleon Duarte told Reuters in an interview.

Duarte, who heads the ruling civilian-military junta, and top army officers said government troops had made big gains against the guerrillas by locating and destroying many underground arms and supply centers. Constant military pushes through the rugged terrain of this tiny Central American republic had "placed the subversives in a weak military position," Duarte, a Christian Democrat, said.

The guerrillas launched a major offensive in January 1981 but it fizzled out after only a few days. Since then they appear to have increasingly turned their sights on economic targets in a bid to cripple the country.

Duarte said claims by the guerrillas, usually through their clandestine radio station, that the country was on the point of popular insurrection were "all lies." The guerrillas are expected to step up their actions during the run-up to a constituent

assembly election on March 28.

Leftist parties, many of their leaders killed or in exile, are boycotting the polls because they do not believe the military will lose any real power, whatever the outcome. But Duarte said the planned election had won El Salvador many new friends abroad and that the country's international standing was far better now than only a year ago.

"Last year we thought this country had only one friend — the United States. But today nobody doubts we have at least 22 friends in Latin America who are willing to bet on us and bet on the election," he said. Duarte was referring to support for the polls expressed by the Organization of American States (OAS) late last year. The majority of its members also condemned a French-Mexican declaration recognizing the guerrillas as a representative political force.

The president, 56, admitted the election would not solve everything. "But it is part of democracy and the basis of liberty," he said. The assembly will draw up a new constitution and decide on a date for a presidential election.

Asked about the absence of left-wingers from the campaign, Duarte said his party represented the sensible Left and recalled his long exile after the military intervened when he appeared to be head-

ing for victory in 1972 presidential elections. He came back to power after liberal officers toppled right-wing Gen. Humberto Romero in 1979.

Their widespread reforms have created strong opposition in the private sector which is supporting a number of rightist candidates in the polls. But the guerrillas say much more radical distribution of wealth is needed and that many of the original officers have left the government, leaving it in the hands of the Right.

Duarte said his government enjoyed the support of the United States and had good chance of winning the election because "we are a sensible Left... a true alternative against Communist theory." Duarte agreed with Washington's assessment that the Soviet Union and Cuba were behind much of the political violence in the region.

He dismissed the guerrillas, estimated to number around 5,000, as "unwilling to accept any solution that is not the capture of power through force."

By contrast, according to Duarte, the Salvadoran government has shown Latin America "it is possible to make a revolution with liberty... based on democracy." Human rights and church organizations believe most of the political killings over the past two years have been the work of rightist groups or government troops. (R)

TODAY IN HISTORY

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Highlights in history on this date:

1535 — Argentine city of Buenos Aires is founded.

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1872 — Holland sells trading posts on African gold coast to Britain.

1897 — Crete insurrection is resumed.

1919 — Monarchy is proclaimed in Portugal.

1962 — Congolese Premier Cyrille Adoula asks the United Nations General Assembly for more U.N. military assistance to help Congo achieve national unity.

1978 — The West German government approves delivery of \$625 million worth of submarines, tanks and guided missiles to Indonesia and Turkey.

1979 — Ayatollah Khomeini rejects peace overtures from Iran's Prime Minister Shapour Bakhtiar and calls on him to resign.

Thought for today:

"Use the mind that makes the body rich — William Shakespeare, English playwright (1564-1616)."

Swedish road planners show their new designs

By Jean Grant
Al Khobar Bureau

DHAHRAN — When 3000 delegates from 50 countries of the international road federation met last June in Stockholm, Sweden, they chose as their man of the year Saudi Arabian Minister of Communications Sheikh Hussein Ibrahim Mansouri. They wished to honor the man who personified the explosion in Saudi Arabian road development — from a mere 270 kilometers in 1953 to the present 24,000 kilometers with 15,000 kilometers of rural roads as well.

Last week in Riyadh Nasser Al-Salloum, deputy minister of communications, said that these new roads created new problems of safety and maintenance.

"When there are no roads, then there are no road problems." It is time now, Al Salloum suggested, to focus on these problems. Speaking at the inaugural lecture of the Saudi-Swedish workshops in traffic safety and road maintenance, he recommended educating both road users and children in road safety; reviewing design standards of roads and stepping up enforcement of safety rules. Road maintenance itself is part of road safety.

'Green week' uses flowers at its fair

BERLIN (INP) — West Berlin is using bright colors and a sea of spring flowers as it prepares to host the "1982 International Green Week". Every year thousands of people come to the divided city from the Federal Republic of Germany to visit this agricultural fair.

The "Green Week" is "an event of European significance" for the farm and garden sector, commented Richard von Weizsacker, Berlin's Governing Mayor. The fair also provides the food industry with an opportunity to show what it has to offer. Constantin von Heereman, the committee president of the German Farmers' Association, praised German farm exports, which last year attained a record level of more than 18 billion marks. Farm produce worth more than 42 billion marks was imported in the same period.

The situation in the West German farm sector is characterized by excellent production levels. By contrast, Eastern European statistics show a stronger drop in agricultural production than ever before. German farm produce exported to the Soviet Union in 1981 amounted to a record total of one billion marks. This amounts to a 50 percent increase in exports with respect to 1980. According to the German Farmers' Association, the largest increases were noted for beef, sugar and cereals (flour).

There has even been an increase in the volume of exported and imported cut flowers within the European Community.

If in doubt, Swiss have their own 'manners' book

GENEVA, (R) — The well-mannered Swiss soldier never carries a plastic shopping bag while in uniform. He knows when to tip his hat, splashes on the eau de cologne sparingly and avoids using his table knife for any food his fork can cut.

The Swiss Army, concerned that several recent storms over soldiers' behavior was harming its William Tell image as a militia of upstanding men selflessly serving their country has drawn up a list of social tips on a pocket-sized pamphlet on etiquette for its troops.

The 18-page *ABC of Good Manners* shows the Swiss soldier as a man of somewhat quaint and stiff manners, always ready to defer to his superiors and never unsure about which fork to use.

Although full of guidelines for the soldier accompanying a lady in public, it diplomatically skirts the private incidents which have brought the army into a running battle with the small but vocal feminist movement here.

One controversy erupted after feminists learned an officers' group had organized shooting practice two years ago with a poster of a woman as the target.

Their subsequent court complaint that the incident insulted women was rejected recently by a Berne court which ruled the Organization for Women's Issues (OFRA) was not competent to legally represent all women. OFRA is considering taking its case to the Swiss Supreme Court.

Co-sponsored by the Saudi Ministry of Communications and the Swedish Ministry of Transport and Communications and held in Jeddah, Riyadh, and Dhahran, the seminar attracted 50 to 100 people in each city for a mutual exchange of expertise in traffic safety and road maintenance.

Swedish credentials to participate in such an exchange are impressive. Sweden leads the world in traffic safety. While the U.S., for instance, suffers 21 deaths per 100,000 inhabitants, Sweden has only half this fatality figure with 10.6 traffic deaths per 100,000 inhabitants.

"We have been through a period of record development of roads, too. We are now into maintenance and safety. By listening to our experience Saudi Arabia can avoid our mistakes," said Karl-Otto Sicking, technical director of the Swedish National Road Administration planning department.

"Although the climates of the two countries are basically different," conceded Sicking, "the Swedish summer is similar to cool weather here. Our problems with drifting snow are not unlike Saudi Arabian problems with drifting sand."

The 16-man Swedish delegation who came here to discuss traffic safety through maintenance, brought along some of their traffic safety equipment. One of the most impressive of the Swedish wares, a Saab road surface tester was transported overland. Operated by one man, the vehicle measures the evenness of roads by using 11 lasers installed along its front bumper. The tester maintains the same speed as surrounding traffic even while it is measuring the surface of the road.

"The presence of such a tool to measure the actual quality of the road puts pressure on a contractor to do his job properly," Sicking claimed.

Although the evenness of the surface has usually been specified in contracts, a convenient and effective means of verifying that the contractor has fulfilled the requirements of the contract has not been readily available. This unique Swedish device (which cost \$200,000 per unit), can determine a year after the road has been finished whether an adequate sub base to a road has been built. The tester works on roads in bad condition as well as on new surfaces; thus it can be used as a diagnostic instrument in deciding which roads most need repair or resurfacing.

Another gadget the Swedes brought along is a traffic counter. This measures the number of cars that use any given segment of road. "When it was first introduced in remote fjords in Norway," joked Sicking, "motorists urged each other to drive their cars as much as possible to make it appear that roads were more heavily used that they actually were, thus encouraging their government to spend more on their upkeep."

Another device exhibited was Nedar — a radar speed meter. It can be operated from within a police car or from the roadside. Those for roadside use are built to withstand the abuse "of people who want to take revenge on them," said Sicking. The sensitive part of the apparatus is out of reach of angry motorists as it is carried by the policeman himself.

The incidents were taken seriously in the army, a militia which fought its last foreign campaign against Napoleon's invading forces. Several company captains have been suspended or reprimanded after macho incidents in their units. Defense Minister Georges-Andre Chevallaz sent troop commanders a letter last year condemning "military jokes in bad taste, lacking the most elementary respect for women."

The army should not have any problem with respect for women, or anybody else for that matter, if the soldiers follow the old-fashioned rules laid out for them in the new pamphlet.

Most of the guidelines for behavior are standard etiquette book fare, such as holding a chair for a lady, walking on her left side and offering to light cigarettes.

The booklet advises soldiers to prefer black leather cases to plastic bags for their shopping, but is quick to allow them to carry a lady's baggage no matter what size or color it is.

After pointing out to the reader how important a well-fitting uniform and an occasional pressing for his trousers are, the booklet finishes with one of its stronger hints — that soldiers should not forget to wash themselves as well.

"Neat looks give you self-confidence while sloppiness hints at a lack of will. And who would like that said about himself?"

Unusual sports facts, car repair tips given

Starting Friday

JEDDAH — Two new features, one all about sports facts and the other about how to make your own car repairs will begin appearing in *Arab News* this Friday.

Sports questions like: What is the largest pitch? Where did Rugby originate? and What is the highest speed reached by the human body in non-mechanized sport? will all be answered in *The World of Sports*, a column which will present interesting and unusual sports facts every Friday.

Regular readers of our feature page will

be interested in the minor car repair tips and hints presented in *Self-Servicing, Do It Yourself Car Repairs*. This series of articles, beginning this Friday and running every other day, will present readers with the symptoms to be encountered when a car malfunctions, what tools and parts are necessary to make the repair and it will use easy-to-follow instructions on how to make them. Just a few of the topics will be: How to fix a fan belt, how to adjust points and how to install spark plugs.

7,000 Zola photographs show he was a romantic

By Paul Webster

PARIS (ONS) — Behind his despairing images of the oppressed French working-class and his passionate campaigns against political corruption, Emile Zola hid the most surprising aspect of his character. At heart, he was a romantic, a trait that shows in the thousands of photographs he took and developed himself.

Nearly 100 of the 7,000 in Zola's collection are now on display in the south-western city of Toulouse, the first exhibition of his hidden talent.

It was a tranquil France, living in eternal sunshine or exuberant self-satisfaction that emerged from Zola's lens. Much of the work was done during the most desperate period of his life which culminated in his fleeing France to take refuge in England.

Despite being the country's most popular

nineteenth century novelist, Zola was hounded abroad after being sentenced to jail for a year for his defense of Alfred Dreyfus, an army officer who was falsely charged with treachery in a scandal that shook the Third Republic.

The son of an Italian immigrant, Zola was born in 1840 and died in 1902, asphyxiated by a chimney fire which many people still believe was murder. His huge stock of glass-plate photographs was passed to the son and daughter he had by his companion, Jeanne Pozerot. A striking pre-Raphaelite beauty, she appears in many of the pictures in which his wife Alexandrine is present just as often.

Among the 7,000 plates are 800 scenes taken at the Universal Exhibition in 1889, when the Eiffel Tower was built. "He also took many pictures while in exile in London," the gallery director said.

Natural bone substance called a 'breakthrough'

By Robert Locke

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Scientists in West Europe, Asia and the United States are racing to unravel a rare natural substance, which, a pioneering scientist believes could revolutionize the treatment of a large number of bone diseases, defects, and damage.

"One of the newest and most interesting developments (in bone research) is the discovery of bone morphogenetic protein," said Dr. Marshall Urist, who heads the bone research laboratory at the University of California here.

"BMP is the breakthrough that is bound to bring about important clinical applications," Urist said. Other laboratories working on the problem are Oxford University in the United States, Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Osaka Universities in Japan and the University of Tübingen in West Germany, in addition to the University of California at San Diego.

Urist, whose lab discovered the protein and reported three years ago that it would be isolated from bone, said in an interview, "BMP is, at least theoretically, the active ingredient in bone renewal — in bone regeneration for healing fractures and in bone grafts."

The protein, if it lives up to its potential and becomes available in usable amounts, could prove invaluable in stimulating new growth to rebuild bones shattered by accident or those unfinished or misshapen by birth defects.

An assortment of diseases that damage bone or reduce its healing power might be diagnosed and treated more effectively. Even the age-related brittleness problem resulting in broken bones common and often devastating problem for the elderly might someday be eased with the substance.

But before the promise can be fulfilled, or even confirmed through a long process of laboratory, animal and human tests, scientists must characterize the protein, identifying each of its chemical components.

Once the protein is unraveled, Urist said, genetic engineers should be able to build an artificial version of the gene that produces BMP and splice it into bacteria, which would become tiny factories for producing the protein. The burgeoning science of recombinant DNA has done the same thing with such proteins as insulin, growth hormone, interferon and others.

"The race is now on for the characterization of BMP," Urist said. "BMP is under investigation in research centers all over the world... (and) at UCLA we are working very hard on this task. He said, "Before the year is out (someone) is going to have some results."

Asked if those results would qualify as a breakthrough of revolutionary proportions, Urist said, "It looks promising, but you can't tell until it actually happens. Based on the history of other things like this, it would seem not too enthusiastic to say it has that potential."

In fact, a related development reported recently, Harvard University researchers hinted at BMP's potential — and also touched off a small storm among scientists.

The researchers, biochemist June Glowacki, said at a news conference that they had shown "for the first time in human patients that new bone can be induced to grow where none previously existed."

The group used a paste made of powdered human bone to make new bone marrow, reporting "spectacular" results at repairing misshapen faces and open skulls caused by accident and birth defects.

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East pips West in see-saw battle

EAST RUTHERFORD, New Jersey, Feb. 1 (AP) — Boston Celtics teammates Robert Parish and Larry Bird took control of the National Basketball Association All-Star game in the fourth period Sunday, leading the East to a 120-118 victory over the West.

Parish, the leading East scorer with 21 points, scored nine in the fourth quarter, then pulled down the games clinching rebound with one second to go on a missed shot by Earvin "Magic" Johnson of the Los Angeles Lakers. Bird, who scored 12 of his 19 points in the final period, was named winner of the game's most valuable player award.

The game see-sawed throughout, with the lead changing hands 18 times. In addition there were 15 ties. Bird tied the score at 109 and against at 111 with 4:30 remaining, then gave the East a 113-111 lead at 4:02.

A free throw by Julius Erving of Philadelphia, and a basket by Parish made it 116-113. Bird's field goal and two free throws, the latter at 1:33, gave the East a 120-116 lead. Norm Nixon scored the last basket of the game, with one minute left, pulling the game within two points. Bird then rebounded a miss with 38 seconds to play.

That possession by the East ended with an offensive foul by Erving with 17 seconds to play, giving the West a last chance to tie or win, but Gus Williams of Seattle, the game's leading scorer with 22 points, was short with a three-point effort with five seconds left and, after the ball went out of bounds on Erving, Johnson's missed shot was rebounded by Parish.

Lowery's timely strike tilts scale in AFC's favor

HONOLULU, Feb. 1 (AP) — Kansas City's Nick Lowery kicked a 23-yard field goal with three seconds remaining Sunday to give the American Football Conference a 16-13 Pro Bowl victory over the National Conference.

The kick by Lowery, who earlier had missed an extra point try because of a bad snap and also missed a long field goal attempt, capped a 69-yard drive engineered by San Diego quarterback Dan Fouts.

The AFC, which had won the last four NFL All-Star games, tied the contest 13-13 when Dallas' Tony Dorsett sprinted four yards for a touchdown. But when the AFC got the ball back, Fouts moved his team steadily down the field, completing passes of 16 yards of Denver's Steve Watson. 9 yards to Cleveland's Ozzie Newsome and 23 yards to Chargers teammate Kellen Winslow.

The pass to Winslow put the ball on the NFC 5, and after two running plays, Lowery, a second-year pro out of Dartmouth, hit his game-winning kick. Fouts also had guided another long drive that set up the AFC's first touchdown, a two-yard burst by San Diego's Chuck Muncie midway through the third period. Lowery's missed pat attempt followed that score.

The other American Conference score was on a one-yard run by Houston's Earl Campbell later in the third period. The score was set up when the New York Jet's Mark Gastineau returned a fumble by San Francisco quarterback Joe Montana 21 yards to the NFC one.

The NFC had taken a 6-0 halftime lead, with the first of Everson Walls' two interceptions setting up the score. The Dallas rookie cornerback picked off a Fouts' throw and ran it 18 yards to the AFC four. Montana threw to Tampa Bay tight end Jimmie Giles for the touchdown on the next play, with 1:04 left in the half.

Kansas City cornerback Gary Green broke through the line of block the pat attempt by Dallas' Rafael Septien. Winslow, named to share the game's most valuable player award with Tampa Bay defensive end Lee Roy Selmon, led the contest's receivers with six catches for 86 yards. Selmon logged four quarterback sacks.

The NFC's only sustained drive in the defense-dominated contest came on the game-tying march in the fourth period. With Atlanta's Steve Bartkowski guiding the drive, the National Conference All-Stars went from their own 26-yard line, covering the 74 yards in 11 plays. The key plays were a 22-yard pass to the Falcon's Alfred Jenkins and a 19-yard burst by Dorsett.

Linesbacker Jack Lambert of Pittsburgh, playing in his seventh Pro Bowl, and New York Jets defensive end Joe Klecko, playing in his first, were among the defensive standouts for the AFC, which held the NFC to just 158 total yards.

Selmon, Walls and San Francisco end Fred Dean were among the defensive stars for the NFC. Walls' second interception, also of a Fouts' pass, halted an AFC march during the fourth period. Campbell was the game's leading rusher, picking up 53 yards on 11 carries. Dorsett led the NEC with 39 yards on 13 attempts.

Fouts connected on 8 of his 16 pass attempts for 143 yards, and AFC started Ken Anderson was 8 of 14 for 106.

Montana, who led the 49ers to a Super Bowl victory over Cincinnati a week ago, was just 4 of 14 for 23 yards, and Bartkowski was 3 of 15 for 49 yards.



Andy Roberts...exceeds with bat too

Gomes puts Windies in good position

ADELAIDE, Feb. 1 (AFP) — A second successive century by Larry Gomes Monday placed the West Indies in a commanding position in the third Test against Australia at Adelaide Oval.

Gomes followed his second Test 126 in Sydney with an unbeaten 124 in the West Indies' first innings total of 389. Having bowled Australia out for 238, the West Indies commanded an overall first innings lead of 151. At stumps on the third day, Australia was struggling desperately at 100 for two.

Any hopes Australia held of dismissing the West Indies and perhaps even obtaining a first innings lead disappeared as Gomes, Jeff Dujon (51) and Andy Roberts (42) batted solidly. Dujon, four not out in the West Indies overnight total of 204 for six, finally made it to a Test half century following scores of 41, 43, 44 and 48 in the first two Tests.

Stand-in Australian captain Rod Marsh took the new ball with the score at 286 in the last desperate hope of keeping the West Indies' first innings lead to a minimum.

However, Gomes (84) and Roberts (2) defied everything Jeff Thomson and Len Pascoe could muster. Roberts' innings included two successive sixes of spinner Bruce Yardley as well as three boundaries off 58 deliveries.

At the finish of the innings, Gomes had been at the wicket for 404 minutes and collected nine boundaries. It was Gomes' fourth Test century—all having been scored against Australia. Yardley finished with the bowling honors, 5 for 132, to give him a Test tally of 38 this summer.

The Australian second innings began disastrously when, with only 10 runs on the board, Graeme Wood returned a full toss to bowler Michael Holding, who took a catch low down

near his boots. John Dyson, who could manage only one in the first innings, was struck a painful blow on the left wrist by Roberts after he had reached nine.

He spent several minutes receiving attention, but the knock obviously unsettled him.

Score-board

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| Australia (1st innings): | 238 |
| West Indies (1st innings): | 389 |
| G. Greenidge c Border b Thomson | 8 |
| D. Haynes c Marsh b Thomson | 26 |
| V. Richards c Laird b Yardley | 42 |
| L. Pascoe not out | 124 |
| F. Scahch c Laird b Pascoe | 0 |
| C. Lloyd c Marsh b Thomson | 53 |
| C. Croft b Thomson | 0 |
| J. Dujon c Thomson b Yardley | 51 |
| A. Roberts c (not) Hookes b Yardley | 42 |
| M. Holding b Yardley | 3 |
| J. Garner v Wood b Yardley | 12 |
| Extras | 28 |
| Total | 389 |
| Fall of wickets: 1-12, 2-72, 3-84, 4-92, 5-194, 6-194, 7-283, 8-365, 9-389. | |
| Bowling: Lille 4.5-3-4-0; Thomson 29-1-112-4; Yardley 40.5-10-132-5; Pascoe 30-3-94-1; Border 5-0-19-0. | |
| Australia (2nd innings): | 6 |
| G. Wood c and b Holding | 39 |
| B. Laird batting | 10 |
| J. Dyson c Lloyd b Garner | 37 |
| A. Border batting | 8 |
| Extras | 100 |
| Total (for 2 wks) | 100 |
| Fall of wickets: 1-10 2-35. | |
| Bowling: Holding 6-2-19-1; Roberts 6-2-13-0; Garner 7-3-21-1; Croft 9-2-19-0; Gomes 6-1-15-0; Richards 2-1-5-0. | |

Three batsmen hit centuries in Eastern Province League

By a Staff Writer

DHAHRAN, Feb. 1 — Muhammad Saleem Raza was in the limelight for the second consecutive week. He hammered his second successive century — 161 against Bechtel Jubail Cricket Club — as Lahore Cricket scored a thumping 151-run victory in the PCL Invitational Cricket League last weekend.

Raza's century and a fine 72 by Khaled Tabassum enabled Lahore, making first use of the Al-Dossary's Oval at Al-Khobar, to race to 269 for five wickets in the allotted 30 overs. The target proved a stiff one for Bechtel as it was never in the reckoning after a slow start. Bechtel finished with 118 for nine wickets with Samir Ahmed getting 35 not out and Deepak Majumdar 23.

Two other batsmen also recorded centuries. At the Abqaiq Oval, the home side, Arifco-Abqaiq, failed in its run chase led by a superb unbeaten 114 by Arif Qamar. The home side lost to Fluor Arabia by 50 runs. The visitors, batting first, rattled up 269 for

six wickets in the 30 overs. Jamshed Mir, also unbeaten on 114, led the run riot with Salman (40), Murtaza (30) and Ghafoor (25) chipping in with useful contributions.

In the two other matches, Juyaimah-RT scored a facile 66-run win over visiting UPM I at Ras Tanura. Overnight rains had made conditions difficult for batting and Juyaimah-RT, taking first strike, was propelled up by a breezy 73 by Saadullah Khan.

UPM could only manage 61 against its rival's 127. Saulex had things its own way against BAC, which lost by eight wickets.

BRIEF SCORES:

Juyaimah-RT CC 127 in 21 overs (Saadullah Khan 73, Alvi 10, Liaquat 4 for 51, Aleem 2 for 15) beat UPM I 61 in 16.1 overs (Barry Walker 14, Liaquat 14, Marikar 3 for 17, Siddiqui 2 for 9, Alvi 2 for 21).

Fluor Arabia CC 261 for 6 wks. In 30 overs (Jamshed Mir 114 n.o., Salman 40, Murtaza 30,

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| Pool "A" | | | | | |
| | P | W | D | L | Pts |
| Karachi Gymkhana | 11 | 11 | — | — | 84 |
| Young Friends | 12 | 10 | — | 2 | 71 |
| Lahore | 10 | 6 | — | 4 | 47 |
| Al-Quraysh | 10 | 5 | — | 5 | 41 |
| Saunder | 10 | 3 | — | 7 | 35 |
| British Aircraft | 10 | 2 | — | 8 | 32 |
| Bechtel, Jubail | 10 | 3 | — | 7 | 32 |
| Al-Khobar | 11 | 1 | — | 10 | 15 |
| Pool "B" | | | | | |
| | P | W | D | L | Pts |
| UPM SSF | 11 | 10 | — | 1 | 66 |
| Juyaimah-RT | 10 | 8 | — | 2 | 58 |

| Pool "C" | | | | | |
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| | P | W | D | L | Pts |
| Petromin | 10 | 8 | — | 2 | 57 |
| Saudia (EP) | 10 | 6 | — | 4 | 41 |
| UPM I | 10 | 5 | — | 5 | 38 |
| Bechtel, Khobar | 9 | 3 | — | 6 | 19 |
| Olayan | 10 | 1 | — | 9 | 7 |
| Pool "D" | | | | | |
| | P | W | D | L | Pts |
| Arabian Eagles | 11 | 11 | — | — | 85 |
| Arabian Gulf | 12 | 11 | — | 1 | 77 |
| Abaham GCC | 10 | 6 | — | 4 | 53 |
| Arifco-Abqaiq | 10 | 4 | — | 6 | 35 |
| Fluor Arabia | 10 | 4 | — | 6 | 35 |
| SCCO | 10 | 3 | — | 7 | 25 |
| Pepsi | 11 | 2 | — | 9 | 23 |
| Marriott Dh. Hotel | 10 | 1 | — | 9 | 8 |

Petromin grabs six-run victory

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Feb. 1 — Petromin scraped home by a whisker in an exciting Binzagr Benson and Hedges Cricket League match against Indian Blues last Thursday.

Petromin was given a flying start by its openers Taiwar (20) and Ashfaq (24). The later batsmen also kept up the run rate as Petromin finished with 113 for seven wickets in its allotted overs. The Indians made a disastrous start, losing three quick wickets. But Wajid (22) and Nassar (19) led a brief revival. Jawed was the only other batsman to substantiate the rally. And when he left the Indians were well ahead of the clock. When it looked like it was going to be the Indians' day, the batsmen inexplicably gave in without a fight. Petromin had eight balls still to deliver when the last of the Indian resistance fell. Petromin won by six runs. Mahmood, Shakir and Aql captured two wickets each at the cost of 7, 15 and 29 runs respectively.

1395 and Pak Saudi registered fluent victories over Bank Jazarah and I.A.L. respectively by identical margins — a 10-wicket verdict. The Bank Jazarah — 1395 clash saw the Bankmen making the first use of the wicket and tally 108 runs. Jawed (29) and Jamil (13) countered the attack of Amin (3 for 12) and Rolleston (3 for 14) as wickets tumbled at regular intervals. Mellish chipped in with two for 15. The Pak Saudi openers rattled up the requisite runs without being separated. Skipper Veit notched a sedate 35, while Southworth hammered a quick 67.

Junaid's deadly spell of four wickets for seven runs saw I.A.L. finish poorly at 85. I.A.L. could muster a total past fifty mainly due to a fine innings of 35 by Anis. The total was within easy reach of Pak Saudi as demonstrated by its openers. Pervaz did the bulk of the scoring remaining 71 not out and along with Shahbaz (16 n.o.) passed I.A.L.'s tally in nine overs.

Only two teams have maintained a clean slate in the seven team league. Pak Saudi head the table with 12 points, while Shalimar has eight but has played only two games compared to Pak Saudi's three. Petromin, 1395, Indian Blues follow the leaders in that order. I.A.L. and cellar team Bank Jazarah have yet to open their tally.

Wasin sparkles

By a Staff Writer

YANBU, Feb. 1 — Saudi Arabia Parson Cricket Club recorded a 14-run verdict over Associated Cement Companies (Umlaj) in a 40 overs friendly at the Royal Commission ground, Yanbu, last weekend.

Parsons, batting first, rattled up 183 in its 40 overs. The bulk contributions came from Syed Wasin 72, Zafar Ali 31, Intekhan Khan 29. The ACC batsmen, in reply could muster only 169 runs in their allotted overs with S. M. Hussein (58) being the top-scorer.

Though R. Patel (31) and Ramaswamy (210) tried to rally ACC, but the accurate Parson's attack kept them at bay. Wasin, followed up his fine batting performance, with a good bowling show, finishing with five wickets for 23. Soha Halder (2 for 20) and Sharif (2 for 10) were the other wicket-takers.



JOHNNY MILLER...weathers late Nicklaus storm to come out trumps.

Johnny Miller scrambles home

SAN DIEGO, Feb. 1 (Agencies) — Johnny Miller survived a tremendous late challenge from fellow-American Jack Nicklaus to win the Andy Williams-San Diego Golf Open here Sunday.

A two-under par 70 enabled Miller, who led the tournament right through clinch victory over Jack Nicklaus, who charged round the south course Sunday in an amazing eight-under-par 64 to miss the play-off by a single stroke.

Tom Kite, the leading money winner in 1981 tied for third place with Weiskopf at 273, after shooting a final round 70.

Meanwhile, Hollis Stacy, battling strong winds, sank a 7-foot birdie putt on the fifth playoff hole Sunday to defeat Joanne Carner and win the \$125,000 LPGA Whirlpool of Deer Creek Championship.

Stacy, who began the day with a two-stroke lead over Carner, opened up a four-shot advantage on the first two holes but faltered midway through the round. The two-time U.S. Women's Open Champion then had to scramble to climb back into a 6-under-par 282 tie over the 6,079-yard Deer Creek Country Club course.

Carner matched par with Stacy on the first four playoff holes — the 312-yard 10th, 161-yard 11th, the 397-yard 18th and the 10th again — but ran into problems on the fifth extra hole, which she bogied.

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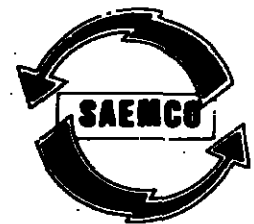
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Connors faces 21-day suspension

McEnroe walks away with title

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 1 (AP) — Top-seeded John McEnroe stunned second-seeded Jimmy Connors 6-3, 6-3, 6-1 Sunday to claim the \$300,000 U.S. Pro Indoor Tennis Championship.

McEnroe, the world's top-ranked player, maintained unrelenting pressure on Connors to walk off with the \$60,000 first prize. This was the 17th meeting between the two tennis greats and McEnroe's eighth triumph. He had 13 aces and played most of the match from deep court, moving Connors around and forcing him to continually strain to reach the placement shots.

McEnroe needed little time demonstrating his superiority as he broke Connors' serve in the second game of the opening set. He won from deuce when Connors drove over the baseline and then fired a backhand, topspin passing shot down the line.

Connors, in one of his few rallies, came back in the fifth game from 30-30 to break McEnroe. But after winning the last four points to save his serve in the seventh game,

McEnroe broke Connors in a love game. He then held serve to win the 36-minute set on a second set point.

In the second set, McEnroe, 22, broke Connors in games five and seven, lost his service in the eighth, but came right back to take Connors' service and win the set.

McEnroe, the U.S. Open and Wimbledon champion, kept Connors on the defensive as he broke him in game two of the third set in a love game. Connors, 29, who had won this tournament four times, made four errors. He smashed two into the net and twice drove out of court as he fell behind 2-0.

McEnroe, who hadn't won here in three previous appearances, could do no wrong as he broke Connors in game four of the third set in another love game. The deciding point came on a lob that Connors couldn't reach.

McEnroe closed the one-hour, 59-minute match in the final game when he again broke through the bewildered Connors' service. The final two points came on overhead smashes that Connors helplessly watched

bounce out of his reach.

Besides losing the match, Connors was in for yet another surprise as it was learnt that an unsporting gesture, made by him during his semifinals clash with Chip Hooper may prove costly.

After the finals, Franco Bartoni, supervisor of the Association of Tennis Professionals, said Connors has been fined \$1,000 and given a 21-day suspension because of the gesture during his Saturday night win. Connors has a right to appeal the fine and suspension.

If the suspension stands, Connors would be barred from all Grand Prix tournaments during the penalty. The next Grand Prix tournament is the United Bank Tennis Classic in Denver, which runs Feb. 1-7. Connors has said he will pass the event.

Connors said he will decide soon whether to enter the following Grand Prix tournament, the Cup Monterrey in Monterrey, Mexico, from Feb. 22-28. Asked after the McEnroe match about the penalties, Connors said, "Fined? Was I?"



John McEnroe...proves his mettle.

Botham enhances England's chances

KANPUR, India, Feb. 1 (AP) — England was in a commanding position Monday in the rain-interrupted sixth and final cricket Test against India here after declaring its first innings closed at the score of 378 for nine.

The home side had scored 12 for the loss of opener Pranab Roy's wicket at the close of the third day's play. Ian Botham, the 25-year-old Somerset all-rounder, scored his ninth Test century Monday after play began two hours behind schedule because of a soggy outfield and some damp spots on the wicket.

The sun was shining brightly Monday morning after a day of intermittent rain. Much of the play Sunday was washed out. When play was abandoned Sunday, the visitors were 249 for four, with Ian Botham on 53 and Mike Gatting on zero. But the seepage of water through the canvas covers caused two hours delay. Play resumed after an early lunch and Botham and Gatting went about their task in a workmanlike manner.

Botham and Gatting were concerned in a century stand for the fifth-wicket before

Dilip Doshi secured a breakthrough. Gatting was the first to go being caught by Madanlal of Doshi for 32. But these two had by then given England captain Fletcher a reasonable total to time his declaration. But Fletcher batted on till the close, before declaring.

Four other English wickets fell in rapid succession. Graham Dilley missed the line of a ball from Ravi Shastri and fell leg-before-wicket for one. In the same over, Shastri clean bowled Bob Taylor for a nought. John Embury tried to take a cheeky single and was run out.

Botham delighted the 25,000 cricket fans at Kanpur's Green Park by plundering 17 runs, including two sixes in one over of Doshi, India's most economical and successful bowler. In Doshi's next over, Botham jumped out of his crease and attempted another big shot but was smartly stumped by keeper Syed Kirmani.

Skipper Keith Fletcher declared the English innings closed at the end of Botham's 142-run knock, giving India about 35 minutes to bat before the scheduled draw of stumps.

Captain Sunil Gavaskar and Pranab Roy, who made his Test debut last month, opened India's first innings on a quiet note. Roy was bowled by a sharp inswinger from Botham after he had made only five runs.

| Score-board | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| England (1st innings): | |
| G. Gooch b Doshi | 58 |
| C. Tavarre b Doshi | 24 |
| K. Fletcher b Doshi | 14 |
| D. Gower b Doshi | 85 |
| I. Botham st. Kirmani b Doshi | 142 |
| M. Gatting c Madanlal b Doshi | 32 |
| G. Dilley b Shastri | 1 |
| R. Taylor b Shastri | 0 |
| Embury run out | 2 |
| D. Underwood not out | 20 |
| Extras: | 378 |
| Total: (for 9 wks. decd.) | 378 |
| Fall of wickets: 1-82, 2-89, 3-121, 4-248, 5-349, 6-354, 7-354, 8-360, 9-378 | |
| Bowling: Doshi 34-3-147-2; Madanlal 24-4-79-0; Doshi 34-2-81-4; Shastri 23-6-51-2. | |
| India (1st innings): | |
| S.M. Gavaskar batting | 5 |
| Pranab Roy b Botham | 5 |
| Extras: | 2 |
| Total: (for 1 wk.) | 12 |
| Fall of wickets: 1-12. | |
| Bowling: Willis, 4-2-7-0 Botham 3-3-2-1. | |

Martina sails past Turnbull

CHICAGO, Feb. 1 (AP) — Relentless Martina Navratilova needed only 54 minutes to beat Australian Wendy Turnbull 6-4, 6-1, Sunday to win the \$150,000 Avon Championships, marking her third victory at only the tour's fourth indoor stop this year.

Attacking from the outset and volleying with precision, the top seed and the world's No. 2 ranked women's player got into trouble in the first game of the opening set when the sixth-seeded Turnbull came up with three winners from the baseline and a perfectly placed topspin lob. However, Navratilova continued to play the short balls into the net and broke back in the fourth game to tie the set at 4-4.

Nunn, Balashov share chess crown

WIJK-AAN-ZEE, Netherlands, Feb. 1 (AP) — Britain's John Nunn and Yuri Balashov of the Soviet Union agreed to a quick draw in the final round action to share the 12,000 guilders (\$4,800) first prize in the Hoogovens Chess tournament Sunday. Both finished with 8½ points.

Runners-up John Van Der Wiel of Holland and Czechoslovakia's Vlastimil Hort settled for a draw after 15 uneventful moves from a French defense to secure the second position. The result gave Van Der Wiel the

half point he needed for his first grandmaster score. The two players finished the tournament with 7½ points each, enough for a shared prize of 7,500 guilders (\$3,000).

U.S. grandmaster Lubomir Kavalek also maintained an unbeaten tournament record. In Sunday's action he played black from an irregular opening against Holland's Genna Sosonko and stopped the clock for a draw after seven moves. The result brought his score to seven points, having drawn 12 games and won one.



Ian Botham...scores team's first 100

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| | | Pec Zwoll | 1 |
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| Nice | 1 | Watersloot | 1 |
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Stommelen's team leads Porsche's clean sweep

DAYTONA BEACH, Florida, Feb. 1 (AP) — The trio of West Germany's Rolf Stommelen, John Paul and John Paul Jr. rolled to a big victory in the Daytona 24-hour Pepsi Challenge Sunday, continuing the domination of American sports car racing in recent years by the powerful Porsche turbo 935s.

The older Paul was at the wheel when the record-setting winning car took the checkered flag just seconds after 3:30 p.m. EST, completing 719 laps — 2,760.96 miles — at an average speed of 114.794 mph (about 184.7 kph).

The speed and number of laps broke the old mark of 114.03 mph (183.9 kph) and 715, both set in 1.80 Stommelen and German teammates Reinhold Joest and Volkert Merl on the 3.84-mile (6.17 km) course. And the total miles broke the previous 20-year high of 2,709.44 set by Pedro Rodriguez of Mexico and Leo Kinnunen of Finland, in 1970 on the then 3.81-mile (6.13 km) road course, revised in 1976.

Stommelen put the winning car on top to stay on lap 60, just two hours into the grueling sports car endurance test. They were at least a lap ahead by Saturday night and were never threatened the rest of the way. The German-built 935s now have won six straight 24-hour races at Daytona, with Stommelen

co-driving in three of those triumphs. The 21-year-old John Paul Jr., considered one of America's brightest young racing prospects, and the veteran Stommelen split most of the last three hours in the twice-around-the-clock dash.

The team of Bob Akin, Englishman Derek Bell and Craig Siebert, also driving a 935, was the runner-up for the second straight year. They finished 11 laps — more than 40 miles (64 kms) — behind the winners. In third was another of the turbo charged Porsches, this one piloted by Mauricio Denarvaez of Colombia, Bigarretson — one of last year's co-winners — and Jeff Wood. That car wound up a distant 35 laps off the pace.

Yet another of the 935s was running solidly in fourth place most of Sunday with four-time Daytona 24-hour race winner Hurley Haywood, Al Holbert and Bruce Leven at the wheel. But the car, which was slowed earlier by a pair of long pit stops to re-weld transmission mounts, began gushing smoke and oil with about two hours to go.

Meanwhile, a hot GTO-Division battle — for non-turbo charged cars with engines over 2.5 liters — was won by the all-Japanese factory-Mazda RX-7 team of Yoshimi Katayama, Takashi Yorino and Kojiro Terada, who finished a surprising fourth overall — 74 laps behind the top car, but one lap ahead of the second-place GTO car.

Austrian skier makes hay

SCHLADMING, Feb. 1 (AFP) — Anton Steiner, a 23-year-old Austrian, stands on the verge of a World Championship gold medal after winning the Special Slalom first-leg of the men's combined here Monday.

Steiner can hardly be regarded as one of the Slalom elite, but he took full advantage of the absence of such big names as Phil Mahre and Ingemar Stenmark to create a formidable platform for Friday's second leg, Downhill.

To make matters even easier for him, the two favorites, Andreas Wenzel of Liechtenstein and Bojan Krizaj of Yugoslavia both fell by the wayside. Wenzel, the 1980 World Cup winner, was lying fourth after the first leg, but erred off course second time down to ruin his hopes, while Krizaj, whose dynamic style often leads him into trouble, clocked by far the fastest time on both runs, but was then disqualified for having skied straight through, instead of around one of the gate markers.

Steiner then was left in the lead with a total time of 1:41:26 ahead of compatriot Wolfgang Ortner (1:41:41) and surprisingly two Frenchmen Michel Canac (1:41:87) and Michel Vion (1:41:91).

Steiner was surprised by his own success. "That's two years since I skied so well," he said, adding, "I think I now have good chance of winning a medal because I feel good on the Downhill." Ortner said it was the finest performance of his career at this level, but warned that his Downhill was nowhere near as good as Steiner, Vion and Peter Lüscher of Switzerland.

The world championship organizers later disqualified four other skiers from the Special Slalom leg of the men's combined to leave 56 finishers instead of the original 60. They are: Vladimir Makeev of the USSR (22nd), Frank Nuysen of Belgium (47th), Lazaros Archontopoulos of Greece (53rd) and Kjell Waloeen of Norway (55th).

Kohde emerges top

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 1 (AP) — Claudia Kohde of West Germany won the \$40,000 Avon Futures Tennis Tournament of Pittsburgh Sunday with a 6-4, 6-0 victory over Eva Pfaff, also West Germany. Kohde, 18, seeded fifth in the tournament and the No. 2 player in West Germany.

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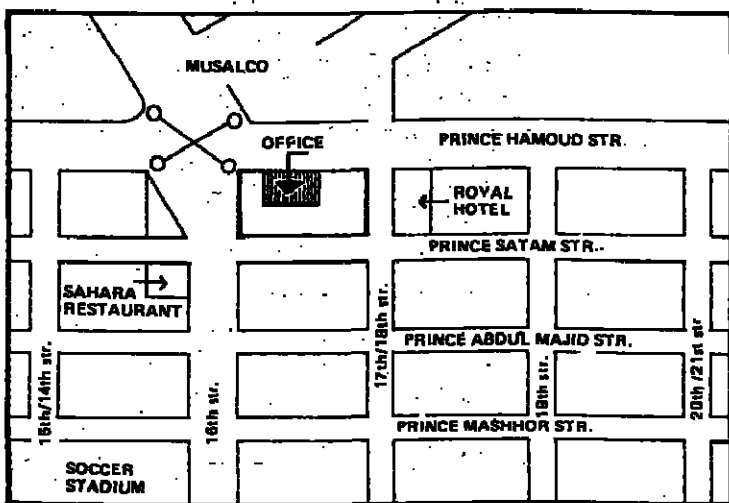
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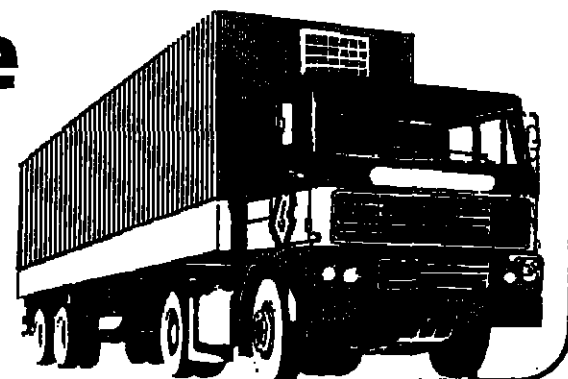
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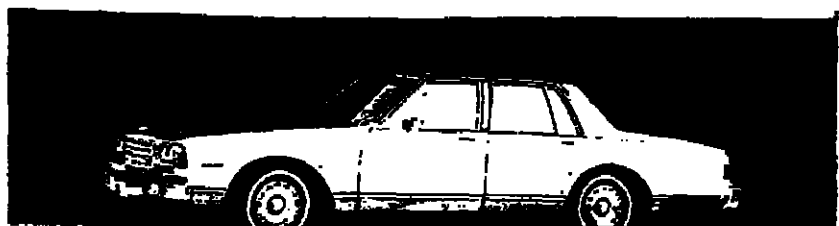
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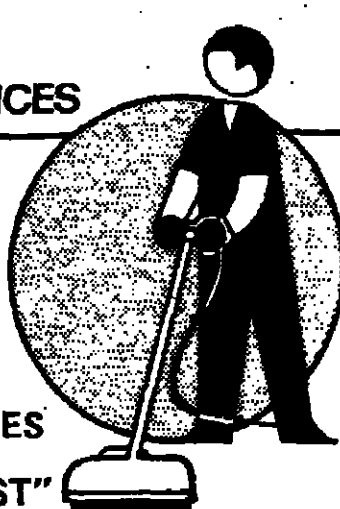
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International

On eve of price hikes

Rioting breaks out in Poland centers

WARSAW, Feb. 1 (Agencies) — A government-decreed rise of between 200 and 300 percent in the price of basic foods went into effect Monday, following an outbreak of street fighting Sunday in Gdansk in which 14 persons, including six policemen, were injured.

An Interior Ministry statement blamed the incidents in Gdansk on "groups of young people." But the report said the fighting broke out as workers were leaving the factories and that the "majority" of those arrested were young — thereby leaving the impression that some workers were also involved.

According to the statement, the demonstration began during the afternoon near the Lenin Shipyards. It said the demonstrators distributed leaflets and chanted "anti-state slogans but attracted little attention from passersby." The situation deteriorated when the demonstrators arrived in the city center, the statement said.

Independent sources in Gdansk appeared to link Sunday's incidents to a current U.S. propaganda offensive against martial law in Poland. The sources said a wreath-laying ceremony was to have taken place Sunday at the monument commemorating the 1970 workers' revolt in Gdansk and the repression which ensued, leaving dozens of workers dead. The ceremony would have followed the "day of Solidarity with Poland" organized by U.S. President Ronald Reagan.

As in similar incidents six weeks ago, shortly after martial law was proclaimed, police Sunday closed off the area around the shipyards and forced the demonstrators into the city center, where fierce clashes occurred.

The official media reported no other incidents but other sources said the situation was tense at Ursus, in the southwestern suburbs of Warsaw, and at Radom, south of the capital.

Pro-Solidarity show gets cool worldwide reception

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 (AP) — Let Poland be Poland, the pro-Solidarity television show produced by the U.S. government's official propaganda agency and beamed around the world, received a less-than-cordial reception in several of the countries where it was shown.

The 90-minute program was broadcast Sunday to a potential TV and radio audience of 400 million people. The show business aspects of the program, which featured several Hollywood stars, drew criticism in West Germany, the Netherlands, Denmark and England.

In the United States, where Congress approved a special exemption to allow domestic showing, few Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) stations telecast the program as it was fed. Officials at others said they had not decided whether to show the film.

Many of the PBS stations that did broadcast the program inserted disclaimers at the beginning and end, explaining that the show was produced by the U.S. International

Communication Agency (ICA), the government's official propaganda arm. The ICA is not allowed to broadcast its productions in the United States without special permission.

Reaction in Moscow was unsurprisingly negative. The official Soviet news agency Tass called it "a repulsive orgy," a "foul enterprise" and "a crude ideological provocation against Poland."

Warsaw Radio, in a broadcast monitored in London, called the program "a propaganda event without precedent" and "a crude interference in Polish affairs."

First reports from abroad indicated an audience of 90 million, said Phyllis Kaminsky, a spokeswoman for ICA in Washington. She said the entire program was shown in the Bavarian region of West Germany and in Luxembourg, Ecuador, Jamaica, Mexico and the Dominican Republic.

Venezuela, Costa Rica and a Bonn station broadcast one hour of the show, while Italy and the Netherlands carried half of it, she said, and two French stations each carried 35-minute segments. South Africa and Greece were among the countries that did not broadcast the program. Thailand turned down an offer from the U.S. Embassy to provide satellite transmission because "the subject is too politically sensitive," one source said.

In England, the BBC screened about one minute of the program, showing several scenes of Poland and fading to about 10 seconds of remarks by President Reagan. Other governments planned to review the show before deciding whether to broadcast it. The slick production consisted of speeches, music, poetry and film and photos of the Polish people.

More than a dozen world leaders, including Reagan, French President Francois Mitterrand and West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, spoke in support of the Solidarity labor movement and against martial law, which was imposed by the Polish government Dec. 13.

They also agreed to prevent duplication of petrochemical industries in the region and to give Bahrain and Oman the priority in establishing such industries in the member states.

Oman's Oil Minister Saeed Al Shanfari said that the conference discussed a proposal to transport oil through the Arabian Sea, from Oman.

The next oil ministers meeting will be held in Oman in September to hear reports by the three committees.



Hans-Dietrich Genscher

Bonn seeks to keep up Madrid talks

BONN, Feb. 1 (R) — West Germany is increasingly worried that the United States might respond to martial law in Poland by seeking to interrupt the European security conference in Madrid, diplomatic sources said Monday.

They said Bonn officials feared the Reagan administration was not interested in continuing the Madrid talks after a plenary meeting next week, which Western countries want to focus on the Polish crisis. U.S.-West German differences on the issue are already being depicted by conservative West German commentators as a potential new source of friction for trans-Atlantic relations.

West Germany's view, made clear by Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, is that the West should keep the Madrid meetings alive in order to maintain pressure on Moscow and its allies over alleged human rights violations. While there was still some uncertainty about Washington's position, it was being assumed the United States would not be sorry if the conference were broken off, the sources said.

The Madrid conference, attended by representatives of 35 states, was called to review implementation of the 1975 Helsinki accords on human rights and detente in Europe. Along with most other Common Market and NATO foreign ministers, Genscher is expected to be present in person at next week's session starting on Feb. 9.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said Genscher will confer in Madrid the previous day with U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig, who was described by a West German newspaper Monday as furious at Bonn's attitude.

The conservative daily *Die Welt* said in a report from Washington that Haig's anger was aroused by a letter from Genscher saying the West should not help Moscow by releasing it from a difficult position in Madrid. The West should maintain pressure over the Polish crisis and not "spare the Soviet Union the embarrassment of having to state its views clearly on the human rights questions," Genscher was quoted as saying.

Die Welt said Genscher was explaining why he opposed a proposal by Haig that the Madrid party be adjourned. The report, from Washington, quoted an unnamed senior Washington aide as saying there should be an interval at Madrid until the autumn so Moscow could think over, and that means correct, the human rights violations in Poland.

The Foreign Ministry spokesman declined to confirm or deny the details, but he acknowledged that consultations were continuing by letter and through other contacts. Genscher conveyed the same message in a speech Friday in Davos, Switzerland, saying it would be a grave mistake for the West to depart from previous security conference policy.

"Western solidarity is essential. We must not free the Soviet Union from its responsibility for implementing the Helsinki final act," he said. U.S. diplomatic sources confirmed that West Germany, in inter-allied discussions, had argued that the Madrid meeting could help the West to "keep the heat" on Moscow.

Mubarak, Mitterrand discuss Mideast crisis

PARIS, Feb. 1 (Agencies) — Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak met Monday with French President Francois Mitterrand on the second leg of a 10-day tour of Western capitals he says is designed to break the deadlock in the Middle East peace talks with Israel.

Speaking to reporters on the steps of the presidential Elysee Palace after an hour of talks with Mitterrand and a working lunch that included other officials from both sides, Mubarak said the two leaders discussed the Middle East and Palestinian autonomy "and the things that are before and after April."

This was a reference to April 25 when the Israelis withdrew from the last part of the occupied Sinai Desert as part of the U.S.-sponsored Camp David Accords. France will contribute troops to a Sinai peacekeeping force. It is Mubarak's first trip abroad since he assumed office four months ago after the assassination of President Anwar Sadat.

Mubarak said he and Mitterrand did not discuss the March 4-5 visit Mitterrand will make to Israel. A spokesman for Mitterrand later said that Mubarak did not give the French president any message for the Israelis. The Egyptian leader has said he will visit the Zionist state but a date has not yet been established.

Mubarak said he invited Mitterrand to visit

Egypt in the second half of 1982. There were also discussions on bilateral issues, presidential spokesman Michel Vauzelle said. In answer to a question, Vauzelle said the Palestine Liberation Organization did not come up in the general discussions.

After the lunch External Relations Minister Claude Cheysson and Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali continued talks.

Mubarak was said to be convinced that Mitterrand could have a role to play in the peace-making process because of Israel's favorable attitude toward him and France's excellent relations with Egypt. However, observers here had no illusions about the ability of the 10 European Common Market countries, and of France in particular, to influence to the course of events in the Middle East.

Informed sources said that Mubarak's mission in Paris was essentially to make contact with Mitterrand for the first time before going on to Washington and prior to the official visits which both he and Mitterrand will make to Israel.

Meanwhile, French industrialists are keenly interested in the Egyptian market and Mubarak will during his stay in Paris have a meeting with a delegation from the French employers' organization.

Boy undergoes unique heart surgery

LONDON, Feb. 1 (AP) — British doctors rebuilt the heart of a West German boy in an unprecedented nine-hour operation, it was claimed Monday as the boy, Frank Weyrauch, flew home to Cologne in time for his 14th birthday. The boy's mother, Sophia Weyrauch, 33, thanked doctors at London's Harley Street Clinic where the open-heart surgery was carried out two weeks ago.

"The way he was dealt with by the nurses and doctors was fantastic," she said at a news conference. The boy had been given one year to live by German doctors but after the Lon-

don operation was declared fit enough to fly home for his birthday Tuesday.

"It will be a very small celebration because he needs a lot of rest," said his mother, an accountant in Cologne. She spoke through an interpreter.

Dr. Stanley Balfour-Lynn, head of the clinic, said the nine-hour operation, which cost 6,000 pounds (\$11,220) was the first time such complicated surgery was done successfully. Surgeons manufactured two valves and two chambers out of existing heart tissue — a feat never before achieved, he said.

Tornado cost raises storm in Germany

BONN, Feb. 1 (AFP) — The high cost of the Tornado bomber is threatening funding of West Germany's armed forces, according to a confidential report published in the *Welt Am Sonntag* newspaper here.

The paper printed the report, drawn up by a parliamentary committee, Sunday and it has already provoked considerable hue and cry in political circles here. In a comment Monday, the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung* newspaper charged that the Tornado, constructed jointly by West Germany, Britain and Italy, was showing its "remarkable capacity of political destruction and threatening all defense ministry plans."

Welt Am Sonntag said that West Germany's armed forces, currently 495,000 men grouped in 36 brigades and which make up 50 percent of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's ground forces, 30 percent of its air force and 70 percent of the navy, was now only a "paper army." The Tornado, in 1973 due to cost about \$6.5 million, now carries a five-times-higher price tag of about \$31 million. In 1988, when the last of the 324 bombers are to be delivered to the West German Air Force, each Tornado will cost about \$65 million.

The multi-role strike aircraft, with 385 ordered by the British Royal Air Force and 100 by Italy's Air Force, almost provoked Defense Minister Hans Apel to quit last year, an expert said, and reflects the dilemma all countries face in financing such arms as planes, tanks and missiles.

The report as published however is explosive since the 1982 defense budget has recently been set at 44,300 million Deutsch marks (about \$19 billion), an increase of 5.2 percent. The defense ministry spokesman said the Bundeswehr would continue to equip itself throughout 1982.

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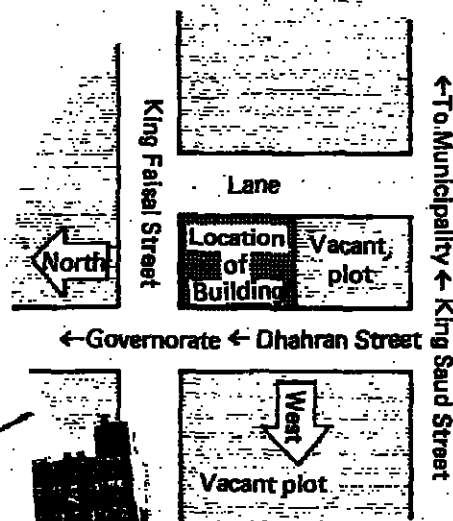
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